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DRAMATIC RESCUE ATTEMPT.

THRILLING WORK FOR SUFFOLK.

SMALL BOATS PICK THEIR WAY.

A 12-MILE JOURNEY ACROSS TREACHEROUS WATER.

DANGER NOT OVER.

Two small boats from H.M.S. Suffolk are picking their way through a knoll-studded lagoon on a hazardous 12-mile journey in an attempt to rescue the crew of the Hedwig, which now appears to be a Dutch three-masted schooner. The danger to the boats is extremely great and those aboard the shipwreck are not out of peril by any means.

Short Steep Seas:

Leaving Mira Bay last night, H.M.S. Suffolk made straight for the Pratas, where at dawn this morning she dropped two boats, which set out across the lagoon. The message wirelessed to Naval Authorities this morning about 9 o'clock read:

"Have lowered motor boat and whale which are now inside southern entrance. Am proceeding in the direction of the wreck. Weather conditions moderate, north-east monsoon. Boats are riding short steep seas and are making about four knots to windward."

The Suffolk then proceeded round the lagoon and is now standing by the wreck, sending out thick smoke to guide the small boats, as the visibility is extremely poor.

Hedwig's "In Danger" Radio:

The only message from the Hedwig this morning was received about 9 o'clock. It read:

"Strong north-east winds. Breakers very strong. Water coming in engine room, about four feet. Please tell Suffolk 35 metres read O.K. here. Wavelength 40. Waiting for you. In danger. Call as soon as you receive this message. Many thanks for your valuable assistance."

In their trip across the lagoon, the two boats from the Suffolk have a perilous undertaking. Sheltered by the coral reef, the seas are "comparatively calm" inside, but "comparatively calm" in nautical language, means a choppy surface with some big waves. But the main danger inside will be the countless coral knobs, reefs and rocks that dot the waters, and are unmarked.

Serious Hazards:

There are numerous cays—that rise just out of the surface at low tide, and the helmsmen of the two boats will need all their seafaring knowledge, to keep clear of these obstacles which continually threaten disaster.

They can make only four knots under these circumstances, and if that speed is maintained, they will not be able to reach the wreck until this afternoon, when another difficult undertaking will present itself.

If the Hedwig has been lying clean over the coral, and is in shallow water on a sandy bottom, the task will be easy, but if the boat is still hard and fast in a coral, those on board will have a dangerous task in reaching the Suffolk's boats.

Ridden Over Reef:

The exact wording of the Suffolk's message received in Hongkong at 11.30 a.m. was:

"Hedwig appears to have ridden over the reef into the lagoon and is now in calm and very shallow water. Visibility is poor. Am lying to the windward and making smoke in the hope of giving boats a leading mark."

The reef at the point where the Hedwig went ashore is about two miles across, half of it being coral and the inside half sand.

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LABOUR RETAINS WHITECHAPEL.

MAJORITY SHRINKS BY OVER FIVE THOUSAND.

LIBERALS POLL WELL.

London, Dec. 3. The bye-election at Whitechapel has resulted in Labour retaining the seat, though with a much reduced majority. The contest was necessitated by the death of Mr. H. Godling, President of the Transport and General Workers' Union.

There were four candidates for the seat, and the result was as follows:

Mr. Hall (Lab.)	8,544
Mr. Janner (Lab.)	7,445
Mr. Guinness (Com.)	3,735
Mr. Pollitt (Com.)	2,106

Labour majority ... 1,099
—Reuter

At the last General Election, Labour had a majority of 9,180 in a three-cornered contest, the figures being: Mr. Gosling (Lab.), 13,701; Mr. F. H. Sedgwick (Lab.), 4,521; Mr. T. L. E. B. Guinness (Com.), 3,417. In the 1923 election, Labour's majority was 1,156, whilst in 1924 it was 10,147.

It will be seen that the Labour vote has shrunk by more than 5,000, whilst the Liberals have polled nearly 3,000 more, and the Communist vote of 2,106 is entirely new. Evidently, many Labour voters switched to the Liberal and Communist candidates, the Conservative vote remaining practically unchanged.

The Liberal candidate, Mr. Janner, unsuccessfully contested Central Cardiff at the last election, whilst Mr. Pollitt, the Communist nominee, was at the bottom of the poll in Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's seat.

COST OF DEFENCE OF SHANGHAI.

LABOUR MEMBERS PROTEST IN COMMONS.

London, Dec. 3. In the House of Commons, Mr. Muggeridge (Lab.) asked whether British subjects in China bore part of the cost of the British army in China.

Mr. Tom Shaw replied: No, except so far as the Shanghai Municipality had exempted from taxation the rent of lands and buildings occupied by troops, and British residents were subject to income tax.

The Speaker intervened when Mr. Haycock (Lab.) asked Mr. Shaw to "make the people who own Shanghai pay for its defence, not the people of Britain." —Reuter.

DO-X VISIT TO ENGLAND.

NO BILL OF EXPENSES PRESENTED.

London, Dec. 3. A question referring to alleged reports in the German Press in connexion with the visit of the German flying boat Do-X was raised in the House of Commons by the Under-Secretary of Air, Mr. Montague.

He stated that no bill of expenses was presented to the Commanding Officer of the Do-X, and the Air Ministry had received an expression of the German Government's appreciation for the courtesies shown.—British Wireless.

MISS SPOONER NOW AT ROME.

London, Dec. 3. Miss Winifred Spooner and flying Officer Edwards, who have left London on a record flight to Rome this evening.—British Wireless.

[Miss Spooner is attempting to reach Capetown in five days.]

DISASTROUS FIRE AT ABERDEEN.

THREE HOUSES GUTTED THIS MORNING.

MAN AND WIFE LEAP FROM BURNING BUILDING.

FIRE BRIGADE'S TASK.

A disastrous outbreak of fire at a block of buildings in Aberdeen early this morning gutted three houses, each of two storeys. Although no one was seriously hurt, two of the occupants of one of the floors were injured in attempting to escape by jumping into the street from a window when the alarm was first raised.

The distance to be covered by the Fire Brigade allowed the fire to assume serious dimensions before any serious effort could be made to quell the raging flames. On the arrival of the appliances from the Central Station, the premises were well ablaze, and a difficult task thus faced the fire-fighters. The outbreak had its origin at 22, Main Street and, by reason of the strong wind blowing, it quickly spread.

Other Houses Involved.

The appliances were instantly put into operation and a continuous stream of water was poured into the premises, but such a hold had been secured by the flames that both adjoining houses soon became involved, and the outbreak threatened to assume an even more serious aspect.

The firemen, however, made a gallant effort to subdue the roaring blaze and it was only after a good three hours' battle that their labours proved successful, but not until No. 22, where the outbreak had its origin, was completely quelled.

Nos. 21 and 23 were likewise affected and although neither of these houses was as completely destroyed as No. 22, the roofs of both collapsed on to the first floor.

Man and Wife Injured.

Fortunately the inmates of the houses involved had sufficient warning, although two people in their anxiety to escape, on finding the houses well alight, jumped into the street from one of the doors. They received injuries to their legs and had to be taken to hospital for treatment.

The injured persons, Tong Yuk, an elderly man who lived on the first floor of No. 22, and his wife, Yuen Yung, aged 48, awoke to find the place on fire and almost instinctively made for a window from which they jumped into the street.

With the exception of these two, who made their leap immediately they became aware of the fire and before the Brigade had reached the scene, none of the occupants of any of the houses was cut off, and all made good their escape without any assistance.

Spectacular Sight.

The three buildings covered an area of approximately 55 feet by 25 and the flames presented a spectacular sight, being visible from a great distance.

According to the official records, the Central Station appliances were summoned to the scene at 11.42 p.m. and it was not until 2.55 a.m. that they returned to the Station.

Up to the present it has not been ascertained how the fire originated. Although the damage is severe, the extent has not been estimated, the value of the contents of the premises being unknown at present. The ground floors were used as shops, with the upper storeys being occupied by Chinese families as tenement houses.

SHANGHAI ARSENAL EXPLOSION.

WORKER KILLED AND TWO INJURED.

Shanghai, Dec. 3. An explosion occurred at the Nationalist Arsenal here yesterday afternoon, owing to an error made by workers in charge of the heating system. Only a small portion of the Arsenal was, however, damaged.

One worker was killed and two injured.

MOSCOW GOES THE LIMIT.

RADIO BROADCAST TO BRITAIN.

PLEDGE IGNORED.

London, Dec. 3.

A broadcast speech from Moscow last night addressed to workers in Britain, led Mr. Oliver Locker-Lampson to ask in the House of Commons, whether such an address, inciting British workers to revolution, was a breach of the Soviet propaganda undertaking, and what steps were being taken in the matter.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, Foreign Secretary, replying, said: The Foreign Office did not receive the full text of this wireless address until this afternoon. In the short time at my disposal for its examination, I have come to the conclusion that while it does not constitute an incitement to revolution as suggested in the question, it is nevertheless, in my opinion, a departure from the undertaking given by the Soviet Government in regard to propaganda.

In these circumstances, he added, I am instructing His Majesty's

OUTLOOK IN COAL CRISIS.

Efforts to Secure Peace Continuing.

TO-DAY'S CONFERENCE.

London, Dec. 3. Efforts to secure peace in the coal industry are continuing to-day.

Throughout the day, Mr. E. Shinwell, the Secretary for Mines, and the miners and owners were engaged on discussions in anticipation of the meeting of the miners' conference to-morrow.

To-morrow's conference will review its decision on the spread-over proposals and receive reports from all districts.—British Wireless.

Ambassador at Moscow to address a protest to the Soviet Government.

Sir Kingsley Wood asked how many protests to the Soviet were now outstanding, and Mr. Locker-Lampson asked if Mr. Henderson would listen-in to the next similar address.

Mr. Henderson:—I hope I may be better employed.

Mr. Kirkwood chimed in by asking if a right good revolution would not be practical politics at present. (Laughter).—Reuter and British Wireless.

STEAMER LOST OFF YUCATAN.

SKIPPER'S DAUGHTERS AND WIFE DROWNED.

New York, Dec. 3.

A small steamer, the Clara Ramos, foundered off Yucatan today, seven of those aboard being drowned, including the skipper's wife and two daughters.—Reuter's American Service.

STOPPING AMERICAN IMMIGRATION.

PLAN TO SUSPEND FOR FIVE YEARS.

Washington, Dec. 3. Mr. Johnson, the Chairman of the House of Representatives Immigration Commission, has introduced a Bill to suspend all immigration for five years.—Reuter's American Service.

DISASTER AT SOVIET LEVEL CROSSING.

TRAIN HITS WELL-FILLED TRAM-CAR.

Moscow, Dec. 3.

Twenty-eight persons were killed and nineteen injured in a collision today between a train and a tram-car at a level crossing in Moscow. The accident occurred at 1.30 a.m. and took place near the

FULL INCOME TAX FOR AMERICA.

CONCESSIONS MAY BE WITHDRAWN.

HOOVER'S HINT ON BUDGET DEFICIT.

BORROWING RESORT.

Washington, Dec. 3. A hint that the income tax concession made last year as a consequence of the Wall Street debacle would have to be withdrawn in view of the state of the national finances, was given by President Hoover to-day in his Budget Message to Congress, which asked for an appropriation of \$83,933,000 for the year ending June 1932.

Americans, he said at the outset, could not expect a continuance of the one per cent. tax cut on incomes in view of this year's deficit of \$180,000,000.

He did not regard this "moderate" deficit very seriously, because he confidently anticipated a restoration of surpluses with the general economic recovery.

When surpluses returned they would absorb any temporary borrowing.

The receipts in the 1932 Estimates are calculated to be \$44,086,000,000, and the expenditure \$45,054,000.

NATIONAL DEFENCE.

The expenditure on national defence would be \$680,000,000, representing a decrease of nearly \$34,000,000.

President Hoover asked for \$28,000,000 for naval building, which with the unexpected balance due to the delay in building pending the negotiation of the London Naval Treaty, would bring the 1932 total for naval construction to a total of \$61,500,000. Those funds would be used to continue work on the new aircraft carrier and seven eight-inch gun light cruisers authorised in 1929, and for work on the uncompleted light cruisers and submarines now building under previous Congressional authorisation.

"The construction of those vessels now authorised, which are permitted by the London Treaty, would go forward with-out delay," he said.

The President further observed that the United States could build three more eight-inch cruisers by 1935 under the London Pact if they so desired, but the remaining five under the 1929 fifteen-ship programme would have to carry smaller guns than eight-inch.

Agricultural Slump.

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RECALLED.ADMINISTRATION OF CHINESE
LADY'S LOCAL ESTATE.

The sensational Cumberland murder affair, when a husband murdered his Chinese wife in June, 1928, is recalled by the local estate of the deceased lady which has recently been dealt with at the Supreme Court. Wai Sheung-min, alias Norah Mao, nee Wai Sheung-siu, married woman, left Hongkong estate which has been valued at \$13,100, in respect of which letters of administration have been granted to Shu Pui-lau and Shu Pui-ching, fourth and sixth brothers respectively, who are living at No. 225, Nathan Road.

The deceased lady was formerly of Macao and died intestate at Cummington Wood Grange, Borrowdale, R.D., Keswick, Cumberland, England, on June 19, 1928. The petition states that "The said deceased was, at the time of her death, a married woman who was murdered by her husband in England. Her husband was prosecuted to conviction in England and sentenced to death."

Local estate worth \$5,600 was left by Eng See-foon, alias Al Jack, fisherman, late of No. 707, King Street, Seattle, Washington, U.S.A., who died intestate at Ketchikan, Alaska, Canada, on April 23, this year. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Eng Wong-shi, temporarily residing at No. 235, Wing Lok Street.

TRAGIC DEATH OF
SHIP CADET.FELL DOWN HOLD ON HIS
FIRST VOYAGE.

On his first voyage to sea as a ship's cadet, Eric Lunt, aged 16 years, fell down the hold of the Dodwell Castle steamer Muncaster Castle in Hongkong Harbour on Tuesday morning, and died later in the Kowloon Hospital. He will be buried at Happy Valley, at 10 a.m. to-day.

Mr. Lunt was working on the tween decks of the steamer which was moored off Stonecutter's

at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, when, it is presumed, he missed his footing, and fell to the bottom of the empty lower hold, 30 feet below.

Unconscious when he was picked up, he was taken immediately to the Kowloon Hospital, where he underwent an operation. He did not recover consciousness, however, and died in that institution at 9.30 p.m. The Muncaster Castle continued its voyage to Shanghai before he died.

It was the first voyage Mr. Lunt had made, having been signed on as a cadet shortly before the ship left England. It is believed that his parents live at Southport, Lancashire.

STUDENT KILLED.

KNOCKED DOWN BY BUS
IN NATHAN ROAD.

Knocked down by a motor-bus in Nathan Road, Yaumati, at 11.30 a.m. yesterday, Lan Kai-tsing, a 13-year-old boy, was killed instantly. He was a student at the Yaumati Government School, and was playing with some other scholars opposite the school, when, it is said, he suddenly ran across the road in front of the bus.

He received severe head injuries and was killed instantly. The boy lived with his parents at No. 44, Bowring Street.

London, Dec. 3.—The Commonwealth Premier, Mr. Scullin, has left for Australia. Reuter.

"THE YEOMEN OF THE
GUARD."IDEAL SUBJECT FOR AN
AMATEUR SOCIETY.

Booking for the opera "The Yeomen of the Guard" is now open at Anderson's, and our readers are advised to book early as the best seats are rapidly going.

The production represents the ninth opera produced since the Philharmonic recommended performing light opera in 1924, and there can be no doubt in the mind of any one who has seen the rehearsals that the coming production will maintain the best traditions of amateur art on the stage.

Gilbert and Sullivan has always been regarded as ideal matter for amateur Societies, firstly because there are no technical difficulties in the vocal score which put the leading parts beyond the reach of a good well-trained voice, and secondly because the natural stage settings and the quality of the libretto materially assist comparatively inexperienced players in projecting the personalities they portray across the footlights.

Dramatic critics frequently write of stage productions that the entire burden of success has been borne by one man who has made

a character "live" from his own imagination—who has in fact, presented to the audience a living portrait of a personality never even conceived by the author.

There is no need for this type of success in "The Yeomen of the Guard" the story of "A Merryman and His Maid." Gilbert has got in this opera a story that might appear with the necessary allowances for the times we live in as a true record of life to-day.

Wilfred Shadbolt whose "anecdotes of the torture chamber make the prettiest hearing" is but the garrulous slow-thinking humbug of Dickens in a Tudor setting and the observer of his fellow men may note wherever he may look to-day that practitioners of the more unsavoury, but none the less necessary, trades share with this sixteenth century Assistant Tormentor a full appreciation of feminine beauty and are as keenly alive to any "trifling with the delicate organisation of the human heart." Shadbolt's inspiration to become an accepted wit, Fairfax's "bold front" in the face of impending death and his welcome of the sister secured to him by his temporary adoption in Sergeant Mervill's household after his escape, Jack Point's quips and jests and the occasional glimpses of a passionate heart beating beneath the motley, the intrigues of Phoebe and Dame Carrithers, Mervill's fidelity to his old friend and helpless surrender to the Dame's heaguerment under force of circumstances, the dry officiousness of the Lieutenant, the plight of poor Elsie—all these are true to life as we find it, where ambition dashes itself against stone walls and scheming not infrequently works the downfall of the plotters.

And, as background to it all, there is the Tower of London, the "sentinel unlying and undying" which even to-day covers all trace of dabblers in High Treason and stood before feudal England as the monument to all ill-timed political ventures.

There is a wonderful example of dramatic irony in a short scene in the second act where Phoebe and Shadbolt almost simultaneously, though under different stresses, disclose their respective secrets, and the quicker-witted Phoebe is forced to stave off the disaster of Wilfred in his jealousy, incriminating them both of falsehood, himself of being a lying braggart and Phoebe of completely in a condemned sorceress's escape, by offering Wilfred her hand. But dramatic irony of the finest texture is woven throughout the entire libretto.

Gilbert and Sullivan is opera justifying itself—not-as-dramatic music for the concert hall, but as musical drama for the stage. The most elaborate staging and lighting effects cannot always conceal the extreme poverty of

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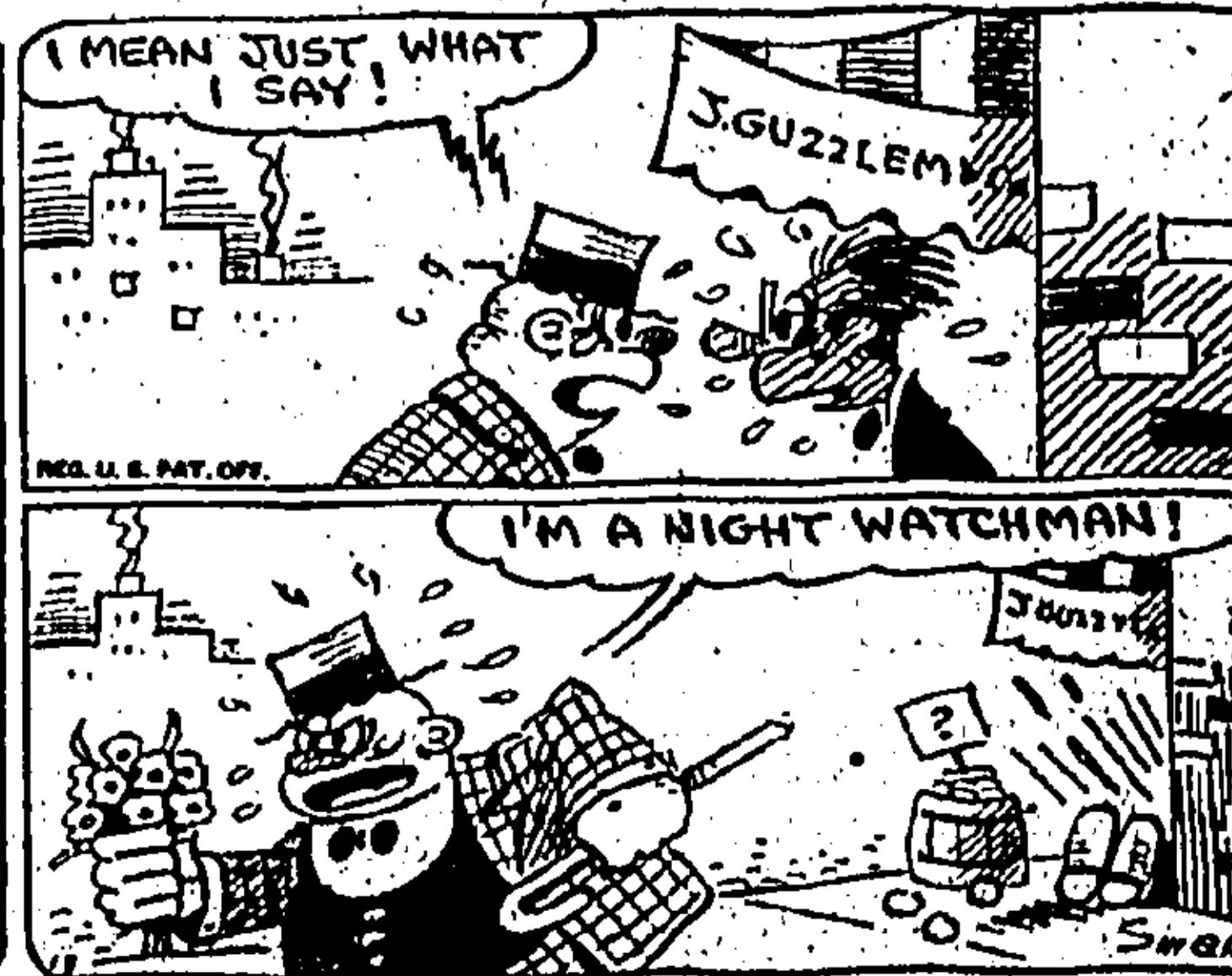
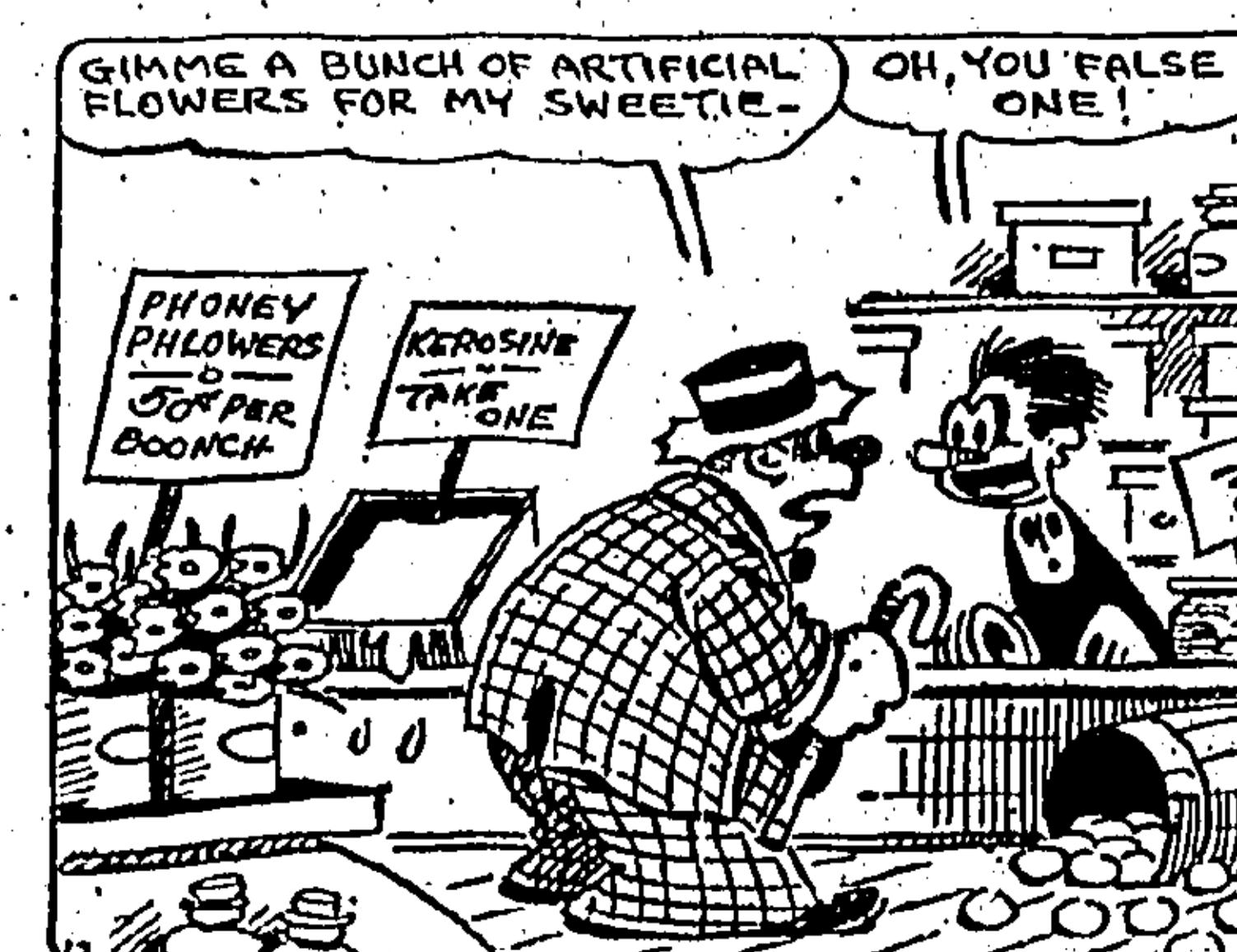


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The Hon. Mrs. Victor Bruce, entertained by the Business Girls' Council in Shanghai (when the above picture was taken) gave a thrilling account of her exciting adventures in the wilds of the Persian Gulf and while flying across the Annamite Mountains, during her trip to the Far East. The reception was largely attended.



Admiral Sir A. K. Wastell, just appointed commander-in-chief at Portsmouth.



Mr. Tsang Ming-keo, legal adviser to Woosung and Shanghai Garrison Area.



Mr. T. G. Beckford, of Shanghai who passed through recently on his return from leave.
Mr. Y.S. Wong, member of the Nanking Commission to reorganise the C. M. S. N. Co.



Mr. George White, Democratic candidate for Governor of Ohio, used an aeroplane for his electioneering campaign.

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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 8th day of December, 1930, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Po Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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3	241	Inland Island No. 5052 Wong Nei Chung	As per sale plan.	About 13,700 (80)	\$1.4	\$36,250

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THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry forms for the Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 13th December, 1930 (Weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries close at 12 o'clock Noon on Monday, 8th December, 1930.

UNION WATER BOAT COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Queen's Buildings Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong at 11 o'clock in the forenoon on Monday, the 8th day of December, 1930 for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions as Extraordinary Resolutions:—

1 That the Articles of Association of the Company be amended as follows:—
(a) By the insertion immediately after Article 43 of the following new Article, namely:

43 (A) The Company may by ordinary resolution cancel any shares which at the date of the passing of such resolution have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and diminish the amount of its share capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.

(b) By the insertion immediately after Article 102 of the following new Article, namely:

102a. The Company may at any time and from time to time in general meeting by resolution authorize the General Managers to capitalize any profits of the Company not required for the time being for payment of dividend upon any preference shares of the Company or other shares issued upon any special conditions, whether standing to the credit of the Company's reserve fund or otherwise, and including profits arising from the appreciation in value of capital assets, and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company in respect of the net amount capitalized full-paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal amount, and the General Managers shall give effect to any such resolution accordingly, and any shares allotted pursuant to any such resolution shall be distributed among the members holding shares of the Company so far as practicable in proportion to the number of shares held by them respectively, and shall be credited as fully paid by means of the profits so capitalized and the General Managers may make such provision by the issue of fractional certificates or by the payment of cash or by sale and distribution of the proceeds otherwise as they may think expedient for the ease of fractions. The General Managers may appoint any person on behalf of the members to enter into any agreement with the Company providing for the allotment to them of such shares credited as fully paid up, and in satisfaction as aforesaid and any agreement made under such authority shall be effective.

102b. The General Managers may, with the sanction of the Company in General Meeting, declare a dividend to be paid to the members according to their rights and interests in the profits, and may fix the time for payment and may with the like sanction declare and pay a dividend or bonus out of any reserve fund and fix the time for payment thereof and may with the like sanction declare and pay bonuses to the Company's employees or any of them.

AND NOTICE is hereby further given that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same time and place on Tuesday, the 23rd day of December, 1930 for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

AND NOTICE is hereby further given that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same time and place on Tuesday, the 23rd day of December, 1930 at 11.5 o'clock in the forenoon or so soon thereafter as the above meeting shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions, namely:—

1. That the Company do hereby cancel all shares (namely, 22,227 shares numbered 27724 to 50000) which at the date hereof have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and do hereby diminish the amount of its share capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Twelfth Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 6th December, 1930, commencing at 1.30 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 1 p.m.

MEMBERS ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5. for Gentlemen and \$2. for Ladies, are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for payment of all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain upon application to the Secretary, badges (Limited to two) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying. On no pretext will children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1. for all persons including ladies and is payable at the gate. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted free.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the Precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

By Order.

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

2. That the Capital of the Company be increased from its diminished capital of \$194,061.00 Hongkong Currency divided into 27,723 shares of \$7.00 each to \$509,010. Hongkong Currency divided into 71,430 shares of \$7.00 each and that such additional shares shall rank in all respects pari passu with the original capital of the Company.

3. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorized to capitalize the sum of \$77,630 profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Funds and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company as on the first day of January 1931 in respect of the net amount capitalized fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of two shares for every five shares of the Company then held by such persons respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of January, 1931.

4. That if on such distribution as aforesaid any person would be entitled to a fraction of a share the General Managers shall in lieu of issuing fractional certificates cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the General Managers and such share may at such time as the General Managers think fit be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractions making up the share.

5. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised out of the profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Funds to pay to the members holding the 27,723 existing shares of the Company as on the 1st day of January, 1931 a sum equal to \$6.00 for every five shares of the Company then held by such persons respectively by way of a bonus dividend out of the profits of the Company.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1710 b.
Chartered b., \$19 n.
Mercantile A. & B., \$27 n.
East Asia \$115 b.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$1,200 b.
Union Ins., \$500 b.
North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.
China Underwriters, \$5,16 b.
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.
China Fires, \$400 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$1,195 b.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$28 1/2
H. K. Steamboats, \$31 1/2 n.
Indo-China, (Def.) \$80 n.
Union Waterboats \$39 n.

Mining.

Binguela, 19.25 b.
Kallang, 37/6 in.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 1 b.
Rauba, \$31.70 b.

Decks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$171 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$32 n.
China Providents, \$5.35 b. (Old)
(Old)

Hongkew, Tls. 280 n.
New Engineering, Tls. 7.10 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 114 n.

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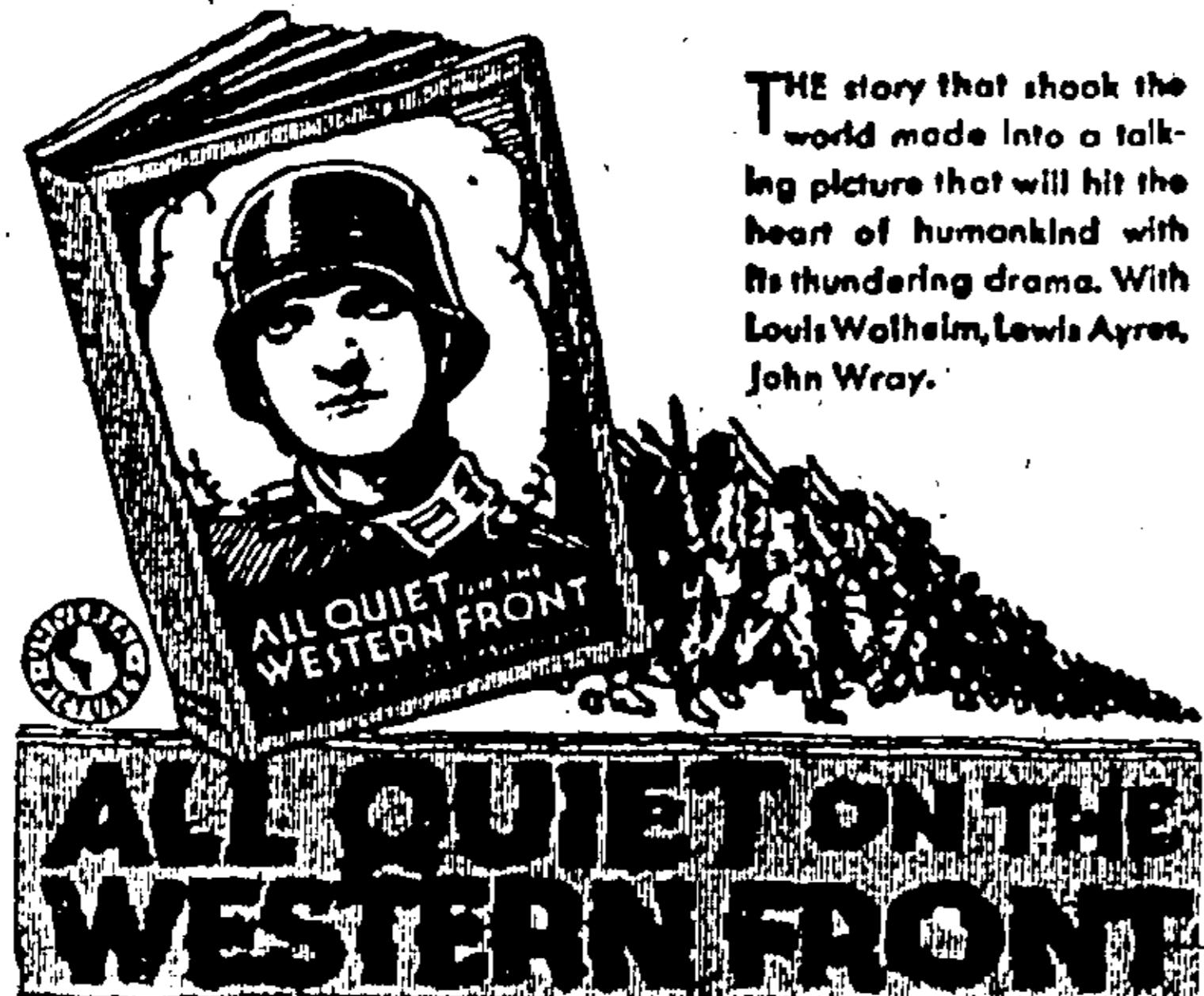
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CAN INSOMNIA BE CURED?

[By a Medical Correspondent.]

A well known Continental physician recently stated that "The misery and suffering caused by every known disease could not be more than insomnia. In these few words he summed up the truth of that terribly indeterminate condition. Insomnia is the most callous of all ailments, and the physical aspect of its effects is exceed only by the mental torture of the sufferer."

The chief characteristic of this complaint is the inability to classify it under any definite heading. There is, however, insomnia of an elementary and easily cured variety. The causes of this condition are invariably local and simply diagnosed, and consist of such symptoms as an over heavy or tight bed covering, an ill-chosen meal before retiring, or merely overfatigue and temporary worry.

To effect a cure in such cases by removing the root of the trouble is a matter of no great difficulty. It is when the condition becomes chronic, perpetual and deep-seated in the constitution that the practitioner becomes puzzled.

Nervous Irritability.

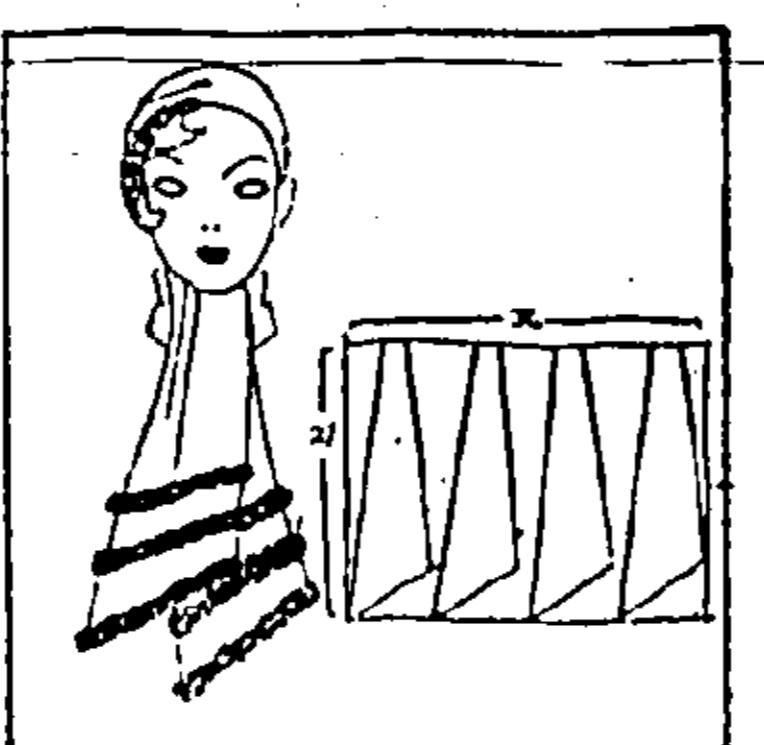
By far the greatest section of the community that suffers from sleeplessness is that composed of neurotics or people prone to constant neurasthenia. This "nervous irritability" caused by overwork,

FOR XMAS.

Try Making This.

Chic and acceptable for Christmas is the velvet neck scarf with fur trimming. It is especially nice when made by hand.

To make one, take three-quarters of a yard of beige velvet, at least 36 inches wide. Cut in four strips and shape each so the ends flare. Two of these are the outside, two the inside of the scarf, joined together at the back of the



neck where rows of fur cover the seaming.

Stitch the scarf front and back together, wrong side out, except for a small portion in the back, and turn right side out by putting through this slit left unsewn. Finish by hand.

Get mink, beaver, caracul, or whatever fur you use, in narrow strips and make stripes across the ends of the scarf with it by hand-sewing on the fur. Have similar stripes across the back, both to hide the seaming and for decoration. This handsome neck scarf can be worn Acref fashion or hanging loose. It is essentially a suit neck scarf and will be particularly useful to a friend who is addicted to suits.

Even in her dress, Alice Diplaracos (who recently won the title of "Miss Europe") upholds the traditions of classic Greek beauty, as this picture shows. Her Parian gown of white satin and fringe has Greek inspiration in its line and feeling. And she prefers the traditional head bands of ancient Greece to any modern hair ornaments.

worry or other mental distractions in the wrong direction, manifests itself in many ways such as exhaustion, easy loss of temper and morbid introspection. In nearly every case the exhausted person goes to bed, only to sink into a few hours of disturbed sleep followed by hours of wakefulness.

As a rule a complete change of surroundings, thorough rest and plenty of fresh air manage to effect a cure, though this is not always possible owing to individual obligations.

Every bit as difficult to cure is the person whose sleep is upset by perpetual digestive trouble, which in most cases is quite unknown to himself. Nothing is more readily conducive to wakefulness than a digestive system that is not thoroughly "in tune", and for the unfortunate sufferers from this complaint and that of neurasthenia, some sort of home cure must be found.

Exercise is an invaluable antidote to sleeplessness, and a brisk walk taken shortly before retiring is an excellent plan. Care in the choice of diet should be exercised, and light farinaceous and raw foods such as salads, corn flakes and abundant milk should feature regularly in the diet. Meat is only heating to the blood and, if the sufferer lives in a warm climate, this should, as far as possible, be kept from the diet.

Necessity of Fresh Air:

One of the most reliable cures for insomnia lies in that very remarkable product Ovaltine, which is a preparation from nature's own foods—malt, milk and eggs, flavoured with cocoa. A glass of

Ovaltine taken just before going to sleep has the most remarkable and soothing effect on the digestive organs and the system generally; and adherents to this principle assert the immediate presence of a soothing and soporific glow.

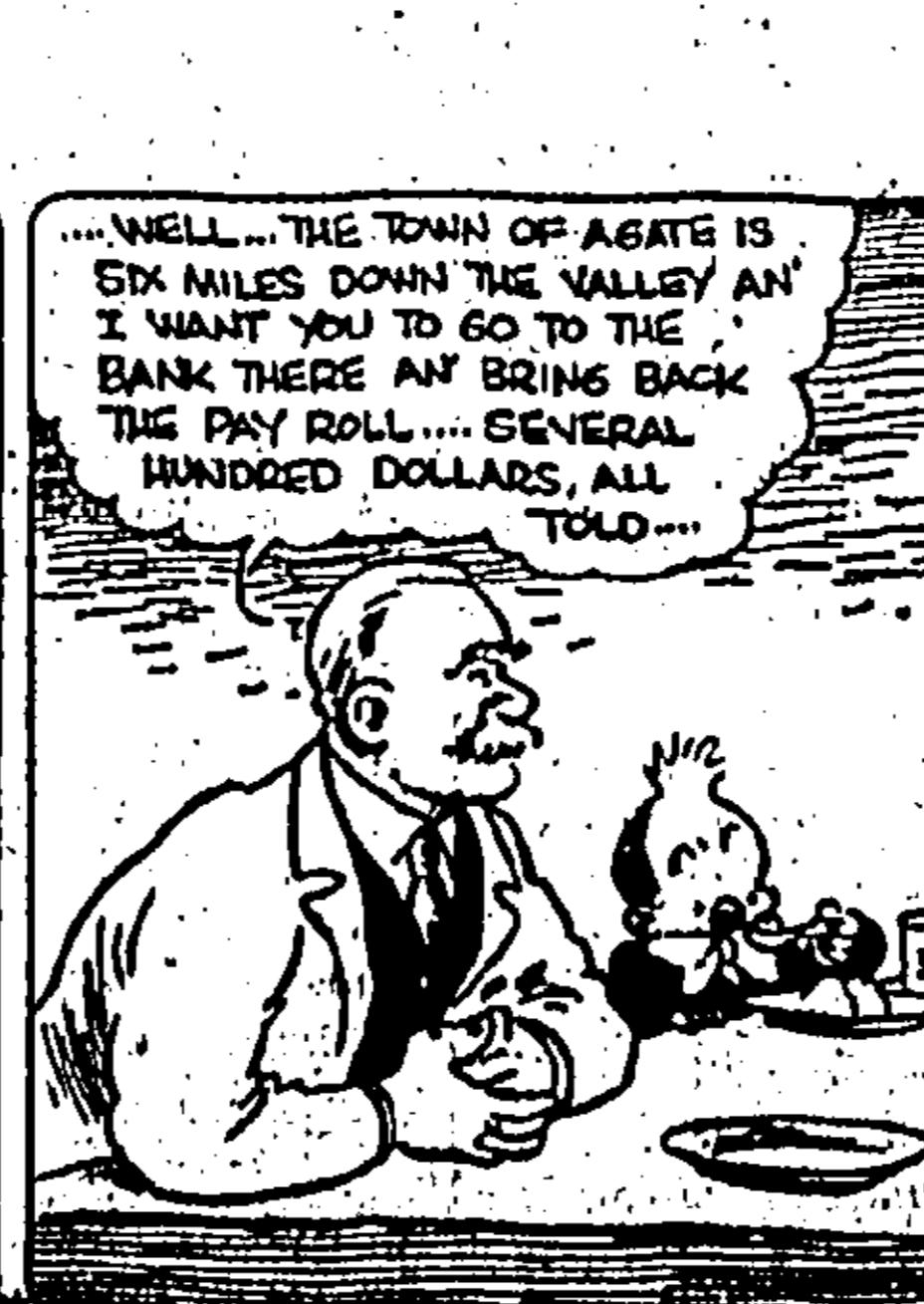
Many people are inclined to overlook the necessity for fresh air, and sleep with closed windows. Their systems become starved of oxygen and the subsequent, though unnoticed, exhaustion is a deterrent to a restful night.

Sleep and fresh air are the greatest assets on the balance sheet of health; and we all know that the latter is cheap and readily obtainable. With regard to the other it is not so easily secured, but people should bear the following principles in mind. Don't worry about trifles, be careful with regard to diet, exercising, but don't over exercise, and endeavour to subdue your bodily discomfort to your will.

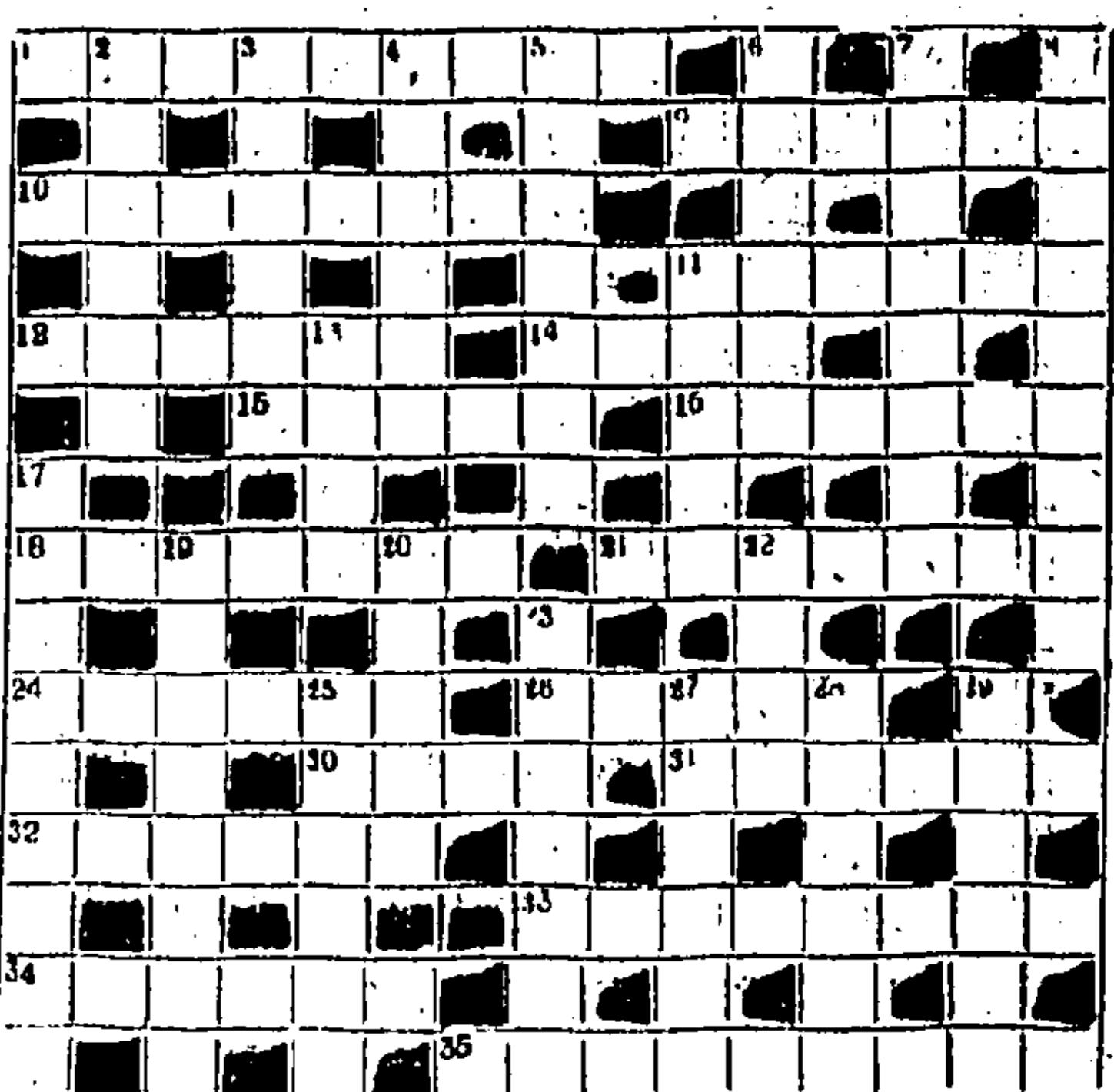
CLEANING LEATHER COATS.

When leather coats get dirty and shabby or start to crack and look dry and faded, the following simple treatment will give them a fresh lease of life. Buy a tin of saddle soap, obtainable from any harness or leather shop. Apply the soap to the leather with a pad of soft cloth, rubbing it well in and turning the pad as it gets soiled. Polish off the surplus soap with another cloth. The leather will be found to respond readily, and the coat will look clean and bright, besides regaining all its original suppleness.

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- 5 A matter of temper rather than temperament.
- 6 This major was never a subaltern.
- 7 Guide this into 9 across.
- 8 "I'll make the laws of nature mine, and—the universe in wine."
- 9 One may see orange blossoms here.
- 10 There is nothing odd about these.
- 11 He walked delicately.
- 12 G by four in suffraging.
- 13 A fragment out of a moat.
- 14 "I have rotted" (anag.).
- 15 One may see orange blossoms here.
- 16 There is nothing odd about these.
- 17 "I'll make the laws of nature mine, and—the universe in wine."
- 18 Wolfe—"The Heights of Abraham".
- 19 "Say lean" (anag.).
- 20 This post is never filled.
- 21 Portioning to the Letts.
- 22 What the devout lover does.

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NIGHTGOWN

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. James Edwin Auvahe, residing at the Kowloon Hotel, to Rose Rawlinson, No. 28, Harrowby Road, Seaford, Liverpool, who is travelling to Hongkong on board the s.s. Kashima Maru.

During the year 1929, eleven hundred and sixty-six mendicants were arrested and dealt with by the Police. Of the mendicants sent away, a considerable percentage were sent out of the Colony more than once, says the annual report of the I.G.P.

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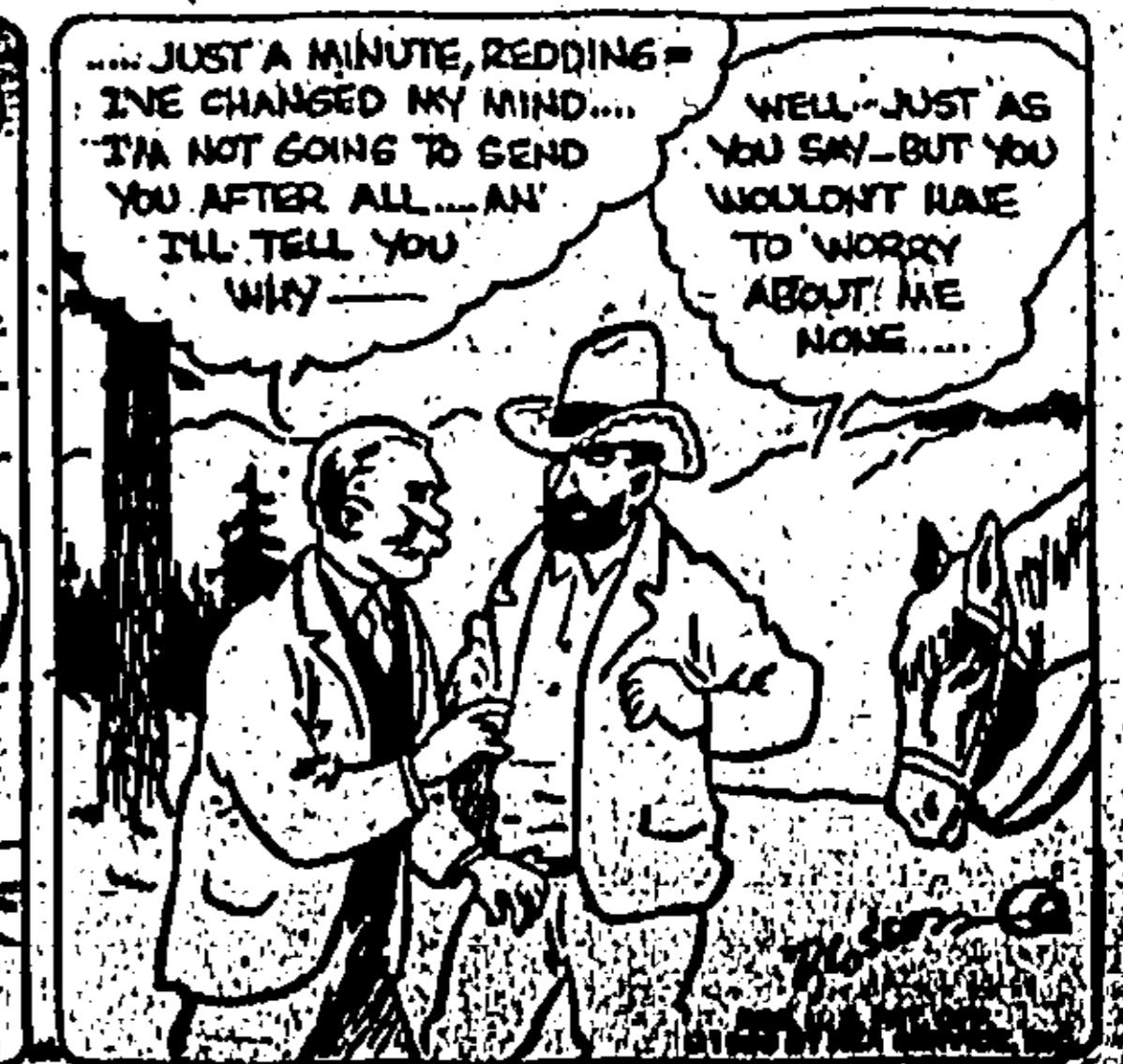
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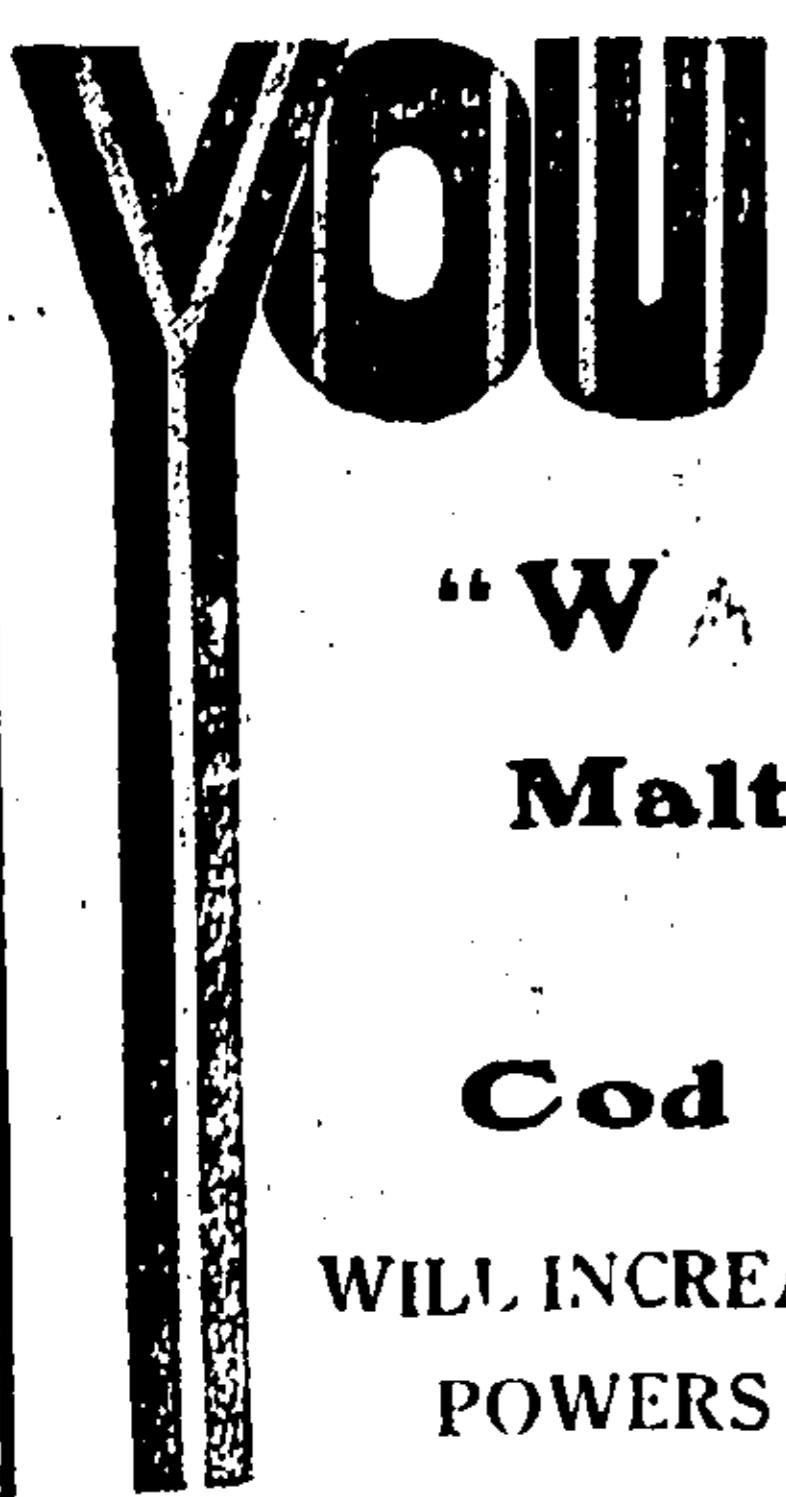
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THURSDAY, DEC. 4, 1930.

SILVER AND GOLD PROBLEMS.

The continued decline in the value of silver, accompanied by a steady rise in gold prices, is raising fresh monetary and economic problems. As present tendencies are having a serious effect on world trade, it is not to be wondered at that all manner of schemes have been put forward for securing a readjustment of existing conditions. Lord Bradbourne's suggestion for the remonetisation of silver is, we take it, a plea for bimetallism. It gains strength from the fact that, apart from the effect on gold prices of the drop in silver, all indications point to an eventual shortage in gold supplies. This latter question has recently been investigated by a special committee of the League of Nations, whose interim report indicates the necessity of concerted international action if a serious crisis is to be averted.

Since Britain returned to the gold standard five years ago, many criticisms have been uttered regarding the alleged inexpediency of that policy. Its effect on British trade, particularly on production costs, have been described as disastrous. Be that as it may, there can be no disputing the fact that Britain, like all other countries, is suffering as a consequence of the growing disparity between gold and silver. It may be well to explain here, for the benefit of the uninitiated, that bimetallism, of which we shall no doubt hear a good deal in the near future, is not a question of the use of both gold and silver coins, but, rather, the employment of both metals as a standard. In countries which have a gold standard, silver and copper coins are merely tokens. Bimetallism implies a recognition of both metals in the same ratio of value, a difference which will easily be realised when we take account of the manner in which the two are now becoming completely divorced from each other. It is obvious, however, that in a matter of this kind, involving so many complicated factors, no one nation can afford to act alone. The whole issue is one for international agreement. Only by widespread action can silver be brought back to its true relation to gold. When Lord Bradbourne talks of remonetisation of silver at a price of about two shillings per ounce he is probably using this figure in no arbitrary sense;

the main thing is to restore the relation between the two metals. Any step in that direction would automatically send up silver, for the simple reason that the increased demand would have that effect.

Here in Hongkong, we are intensely interested in this question because the continued slump in silver is creating a situation which is fast becoming intolerable. The votes which are to come before the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council this afternoon tell their tale of the extra costs which taxpayers have to bear because the Government works on a system of receiving its revenue in silver and paying out large sums in sterling. And as the drop continues, the more money is needed to bridge the difference. The effects on the cost of living do not require any emphasis; they are all too painfully apparent. Of larger concern is the practical cutting off of the China markets to gold standard nations, consequent on the lower purchasing power of the Chinese people owing to the fall in silver. This latter development is one of worldwide concern, and in the long run it may prove an important factor in securing some international approach to the whole monetary and economic problem.

America's Problems.

President Hoover's message to the "lame duck" session of Congress reflects the industrial depression in the United States in a dozen different ways. The loss of revenue has been tremendous, unemployment offers a serious national problem requiring special emergency measures, and immigration laws are to be subject to further revision. In spite of the fact that the recent election indicated vigorous dissatisfaction with economic conditions, however, the President consistently refuses to find justification for gloom. The normal activities and incomes of America, he says, have not been restricted by more than 15 to 20 per cent. The number of distressed families, he claims, represent only 10 to 20 per cent. of the calculated number of unemployed. He adds that recuperation is retarded by unwarranted fear and apprehension, and supports his belief by declaring that unemployment relief commitments covering a period beyond the next six months are unnecessary. Nevertheless, it is difficult to escape an impression that President Hoover has been resourceful in the use of materials for painting his picture so remarkably free from shadows. Not a word is to be found on Prohibition, America's biggest problem outside unemployment, though this may be explained by the fact that the Wickersham Committee on law enforcement and crime investigations has not yet submitted its Report. A tendency to minimise the disaster of the depression is apparent. A recent traveller in America, back for the first time for two years, was shocked by the change in the outlook of business men as well as by the evidences of curtailment of commerce. On his first visit, the possibility of a depression would have been treated as a jest. Today, he says, business men are practically incapable of response to a call for courage. This may be murking in the shadows with strokes a trifle too heavy, but there is reason to believe that President Hoover is equally extreme in his optimism.

Li Sui-ping, a herbalist, his son and a folk were to-day committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions on charges of conspiracy and arson in connexion with a fire which occurred at their shop at 177, Wink Lot Street. Another folk, who appeared on these joint charges, was discharged.

A Chinese pleaded guilty, before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistrate this morning, to having cut and taken away growing grass from the garden of Miss M. B. Ahwee, off Prince Edward Road. He was fined \$10, or two weeks' imprisonment.

In connexion with the defalcations by Carvalho Yeo, Treasury Water Account clerk, it is stated in the annual report of the Audit Office that the amount involved, \$15,829.05, has been written off, on the authority of the Secretary of State.

DAY BY DAY

INVENTION IS THE TALENT OF
YOUTH, AND JUDGMENT OF AGE.

The ss. St. Albans, with the Australian mails, is due here at daylight on Saturday.

T. P. and O. ss. Khyber, from Hongkong, arrived at London on the 1st December at 5 a.m.

Part of the property stolen from the dining room of 35, Conduit Road, the residence of Mrs. Kawazu, on Saturday, has been recovered by the police in a pawnshop.

The annual report of the Inspector General of Police for 1929 shows that the total establishment was 2,207, comprising 253 Europeans, 730 Indians, 744 Chinese, and 241 members of the Water Police.

A Chinese girl, aged twelve years, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from scalds to her head and face, caused by upsetting a pot of hot tea. Her condition is not serious.

In an attempt to commit suicide, Chan Tam-po, aged 85 of 21, Yee Wo Street, took an overdose of opium, but not sufficient to have any serious effects. He has been removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

A brief report has reached the local authorities from the manager of the Texas Company at Gin Drinker's Bay to the effect that a fire broke out in a matchshed in the Kwai Chung Village yesterday and that a child had been badly injured.

A report to the police from Mrs. Andrews, of 7, Pratt Buildings, Kowloon, is to the effect that some time between 9 p.m. on Monday and 6 a.m. yesterday someone entered the basement of her house and stole silver ornaments and clothing to the value of \$36.

Suffering from injuries received at the Kowloon Godowns, where he is alleged to have been attacked by a number of men, a tallyman named Kwong Kee (25) has been admitted to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment. He was not seriously hurt, however.

The annual exhibition of the Hongkong Art Club will be held at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant (front room) and not at China Building, as previously advertised. The Exhibition will be held on December 10th and 11th from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The admission is 50 cents.

The disappearance of a "boy" employed by the Sang Lee Co., building contractors, of 527, Honnessy Road, has been reported to the police. It was stated that the "boy," named Leung Chung-hing, had absconded with a sum of \$928 which he is alleged to have taken from the accountants' desk after having broken open a drawer.

EVELYN WAUGH on

IS OXFORD WORTH WHILE?

Do Oxford and Cambridge maintain a tradition of genuine culture? To judge by the blank faces and blander conversation of the young man in a London ballroom one would suspect that they did not. To judge by the decoration of my tutor's rooms, one would say with certainty that they did not. Oxford is not up to date in the latest theories of aesthetics and psychology from Berlin and Paris. Many of the colleges are far from hygienic.

A great number of the undergraduates express the heartiest contempt for everything to do with Art or intellect. But there is another side. Oxford is architecturally a city of peculiar grace and magnificence, and it is impossible for anyone, however deep his apparent preoccupation with hunting or golf or bridge, to live there for three or four years without being influenced by it.

All the misunderstanding of the value of university life seems to me to come from two extreme heresies. On the one hand are those who expect a University to be a kind of insurance company into which so much money is paid and from which so much eventually is extracted. They expect a B.A. degree to be a badge which will gain them instant preference over poorer competitors, and in nine cases out of ten they are disappointed.

On the other hand, there are those who expect Oxford to be like an Oxford novel. A place of easy living, subtle conversation, and illuminating friendships. They expect it to be a kind of microcosm of eighteenth-century Whig society, combined with an infinitely sophisticated modernism. They, too, are disappointed.

A Chance to Grow Up.

The truth is that Oxford is simply a very beautiful city in which it is convenient to segregate a certain number of the young of the nation while they are growing up. It is absurd to pretend that a boy of eighteen, however sound he has been as a school prefect, is a fully grown man. Those who choose or are obliged to begin regular, particularly if they have had a fairly carefully tended adolescence, often show signs of arrested development.

It is just because Oxford keeps them back from their careers, that it is of most value. Another friend who had an exemplary career in all branches of University life was for a month last year actually starving until he was discovered; another, who had a brilliant reputation among his fellow-undergraduates, lives in a dingy bed-sitting room and does occasional reviews for journals of precarious financial stability.

As far as direct monetary returns are considered, our parents would have done far better to have packed us off to Monte Carlo to try our luck at the tables. But, of course, that is a narrow and silly way to regard education. A much more pertinent question is:



"What a wonderful marriage! Her face and his fortune."
"Yes, dearie, they've both been lifted."

THE STREET BOYS' CLUB.**HOW LADS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SAVE.****ENGLISH LESSONS.**

Some interesting particulars of the Street Boys' Club are contained in the report of the Inspector General of Police for 1929.

The membership of the Club was 27, and during the year two boys found employment, one as a carpenter's apprentice at the Wing Yick Co., and one as an assistant cook at the Naval Yard.

Nine boys were employed as messengers and eleven in selling goods in the streets, being given free hawkers' licences for that purpose. Seven boys were at the St. Louis Industrial School.

The boys employed as messengers are encouraged to save \$2 a month from their pay. Other boys save at the rate of five cents a day or more as their funds permit. They saved \$333 during the year.

The funds of the Club on December 31st amounted to \$3,026.83.

Thanks to the enterprise of Mrs. Southorn, a school was started at the Club for English and Chinese Classes three nights a week, one hour Chinese and one hour English.

The average attendance at each Chinese and English Class was 16 and 17 boys respectively. Progress in Chinese has been good and the boys are now learning the 4th book of the Hongkong Vernacular Reader. Progress in English is fair.

CANTON'S DEBT TO HONGKONG.**REFERRED TO SECRETARY OF STATE.**

It is stated in the annual report of the Audit Office that the claims against the Chinese Section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, on account of suspension of through and joint sectional traffic, hire of rolling stock, and demurrage, which stood at \$997,596.21 at the end of 1928, increased by \$23,966.40 in respect of suspension of traffic during 1929, making a total of \$1,021,562.61 outstanding at the end of 1929.

The debts in respect of demurrage and hire of rolling stock for the year 1929 were accepted by the Administration of the Chinese Section and the accounts adjusted.

The claims for suspension of traffic for 1923-1929 and demurrage of wagons for 1924 and 1925 were however not accepted, and the question of the adjustment of the claim of \$1,021,562.61 has been referred to the Secretary of State.

JAPANESE SKIPPER FINED.**PORT REGULATIONS WHICH DIFFER.**

Capt. Kaneko, master of the s.s. Kushiro Maru, appeared before the Hon. Commdr. G.F. Hole, at the Marine Court this morning, in answer to a summons against him for (a) failing to register his arrival in harbour on November 14, and (b) failing to obtain a clearance before leaving the harbour.

In pleading guilty to both charges, defendant informed his Worship that he did not know the regulations of the port. In Japan, it was not necessary to register the arrival or departure of a vessel if she stayed in port for less than 24 hours. In this particular case, he stayed in harbour for less than 24 hours and he therefore thought that it was not necessary for him to report to the Harbour Office.

Defendant was fined \$60 or one month on each count. If the fines were not paid, sentences were to run consecutively.

YOUNG CADET'S DEATH.**FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY THIS MORNING.**

The funeral of Eric Hunt, the 16-year-old ship's cadet who met his death under such tragic circumstances yesterday, was conducted by the Rev. T. G. Waldegrave at the Happy Valley cemetery this morning, the obsequies being attended by representatives of the China Const Officers' Guild and Messrs Dodwell and Co. Those present included Messrs J. P. Warren, W. Wright and D. Harvey (Messrs. Dodwell and Co.) and Capt. Laurenson, representing the Merchant Navy.

Floral tributes were sent from deceased's mother and father, James Chambers and Co., Dodwell and Co., Capt. Lee, Officers, engineers and cadets of the Manchester Castle, and the China Const Officers' Guild.

WORK OF THE FIRE BRIGADE.**OVER TWO HUNDRED CALLS LAST YEAR.****FOURTEEN LIVES LOST.**

It is revealed in the annual report of the Fire Brigade that the cost of the Brigade in 1929 was \$232,826.21, compared with \$197,222.37 in the previous year and \$190,350.27 in 1927. Special expenditure amounting to \$46,940.28 is included.

The total strength of the staff was 281, all but 11 of whom were Chinese. During the year 39 Chinese members resigned, 10 were dismissed and 20 absconded. 60 recruits were enrolled and trained as firemen and passed out of the drill class into the Brigade while 18 men were engaged and appointed to fill vacancies in other ranks of the Department.

Resulting from the number of collisions with motor fire appliances the question was considered during the year of trying White Russian drivers. Three such drivers were engaged in June, 1929, and so far the experiment has proved satisfactory.

The number of calls received during the year totalled 237. Actual fires 182, chimney fires 14, collapses 5 and false alarms 36. Compared with the previous year there is an increase of 25 calls.

There were 10 serious fires. Fourteen persons lost their lives or received such injuries that they subsequently succumbed. Nine persons received minor injuries from which they recovered. Twelve persons were rescued by means of the Fire Brigade appliances. Five persons were extricated alive by the Brigade from collapses.

Eleven members of the Brigade were injured in the execution of their duty.

CLEVERLY HIDDEN OPIUM.**WOMAN HEAVILY FINED AT MAGISTRACY.**

Charged before Mr. Lindsell this morning with the possession of 21 tools of contraband opium, a Chinese woman pleaded that the stuff was left in her keeping by an elder sister, who had gone into the country and died.

She further said that she did not know what the stuff was, although admitting having it with her for a period of more than two months. After her sister died, she said, she did not think even of opening the parcels.

Revenue Officer Grinnell stated that three parcels containing the opium were found secreted in the beams of the roof, two other parcels behind a panel, and another in a washstand. Boxes were also discovered which had false sides and bottoms.

A fine of \$2,000, or six months, was inflicted.

KEROSENE DANGER TO BOATS.**JUNK MASTER FINED AT MARINE COURT.**

"If your boat catches fire, it is not you I am worrying about, but you endanger the lives of other people in the vicinity as your craft is anchored together with the others at Shaukiwan," said the Hon. Commdr. Hole at the Marine Court this morning when the master of a junk was charged with anchoring at Shaukiwan, instead of at the Dangerous Goods Anchorage, with a cargo of kerosene.

Defective Sergeant Kennedy, who prosecuted, informed his Worship that the defendant's boat was anchored among many others at Shaukiwan and had 16 tins of kerosene on board.

His Worship remarked that he had always punished this type of offence very severely, as other people's lives were endangered by carelessness.

A fine of \$75, with the alternative of two months' hard labour, was imposed.

Mr. Ph. C. Visser will deliver a Lecture entitled "The Fourth Karakorum Expedition" in the Great Hall of the University, on Monday, 8th December, at 8.30 p.m. The Lecture is organised by the Arts Association, and will be illustrated with lantern slides.

The marriage arranged between Mr. Leo Weill, of "Albercole," Pokfulam, and Miss Veronica Marjory Jefford, of 17 Prince Edward Road, Kowloon, will take place at the Jewish Synagogue on January 4, 1931.

During 1929 the Hongkong police picked up 2,033 dead bodies in the streets and elsewhere, which is 363 more than in 1928 and the highest figure for five years. No fewer than 1,851 were bodies of children.

HAWKER SENT TO PRISON.**FOR RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY.**

Ip Sing, an itinerant hawker, was charged before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with having broken into No. 148, Laf Chi Kok Road and stealing therefrom a quilt and a blanket, the property of Chang Chuk-kung. An alternative charge of receiving was also preferred. The defendant, plied not guilty.

A Chinese detective said he saw the defendant walking in Yeuk Street towards Nam Chong Street carrying the quilt with him. As his suspicions were aroused, he started after the defendant, who, seeing him coming, dropped the quilt and bolted. Witness chased the defendant and arrested him. He took him to the Shamshui Po Police Station, where the complainant identified the quilt as his. The blanket had not yet been recovered.

Complainant said he left his house at about 10 a.m. yesterday. When he returned at about 12.45 p.m., he found the bottom of the door damaged. He entered and made the discovery that the quilt and a blanket had been stolen.

"A man gave the quilt to me while I was waiting at the Shamshui Po ferry wharf, and asked me to pawn it for him promising me fifty cents," said the defendant. He added:—"The detective arrived on the scene at that moment and the man bolted with the blanket."

Mr. Butters convicted the defendant of receiving and sentenced him to six weeks' imprisonment.

MR. SHINWELL AND THE I.L.P.**A CAUSTIC LETTER.**

Mr. F. Shinwell, M.P., the Secretary for Mines, has sent a caustic letter to the Secretary of the Independent Labour Party.

It appears that the Secretary had asked Mr. Shinwell, as a member of the I.L.P., whether he was prepared to become a member of the reconstituted I.L.P.; Parliamentary group. Mr. Shinwell remarks that he is already a member of the I.L.P. Parliamentary group, that his Parliamentary candidature has been endorsed by the West Lothian I.L.P. Federation and the National Administrative Council, and "unless you can furnish sound reasons why I should be excluded, I shall continue to regard myself as a member."

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Apparently, said Mr. Stable, the generosity of Sir Guy had its limits, but these two people, thinking they could get more money out of him, staged a surprise visit when the wife would be caught *gravata delicto* with Sir Guy. Then the husband filed a divorce petition, claiming \$23,000 damages, but only recovered \$500.

Blackmailing.

Mr. Justice Bateson: It looks as if they succeeded in blackmailing the co-respondent and now the co-respondent wants the damages.

Mr. Stable: I am told that the petitioner and his wife are people of no substance, and the question is whether the costs of the King's Proctor's intervention should fall on the taxpayer or on the co-respondent.

The payments of rewards to informers during the year 1929 amounted to \$39,647.71, the balance of \$20,484.29 being carried forward to the 1930 Account.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The Royal Observatory reports that a strong anticyclone, central over N.W. Korea, is moving eastward. Strong to fresh monsoon prevails along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—North winds; strong, moderating slightly; overcast at first, improving later.

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CHANGTEH TAKEN FROM REDS.**NANKING'S ANTI-COMMUNIST CAMPAIGN.****KIANGSI'S PLIGHT.**

Shanghai, Dec. 3. The Hunan Provincial Government reports that the Government troops have recaptured Changteh, in Northern Hunan, from the bandits who have retreated towards the Hunan-Henan frontier.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is leaving this weekend for Klang, in the company of General Hsiung Shih-hui, Garrison Commander of Greater Shanghai, to direct the war against the Communists. Official circles believe that General Hsiung Shih-hui may be appointed as the new Military Governor of Klang.

With the gradual suppression of Communists in Southern Kiangsi, the Provincial Government has telegraphed to Nanking suggesting the issue, in the name of the Kiangsi Government, of Treasury bonds for the purpose of defraying the cost of rehabilitation of the Province.

Since May last, Kiangsi Communist bandits have been responsible for the destruction of about 100,000 houses while over 90,000 innocent people have been massacred. The damage to property is estimated at millions of dollars, while 1,400,000 people have been reduced to a state of starvation, thousands being homeless.

Three of the weather reports sent from stations to Looe were inaccurate. Air Ministry records showed that at 6 p.m. the wind exceeded that at which a bad weather watch should have been set. No such watch was set at any station in the Looe district until 7.

The system of manning alternative stations was introduced by District Officer Smith without the approval of his inspector. He did not appear to have understood the principles which should underlie the system.

DIVORCE TRAP FOR BARONET.**DID NOT KNOW WOMAN WAS MARRIED.**

A plot by a man and his wife to catch a 74-years-old baronet in a compromising position in the flat which he provided for the woman was described in the Divorce Court recently.

An application, said to be without precedent, was made in a suit in which Mr. Henry Gladwin Grayson, an estate agent of Marlborough-place, St. John's Wood, N.W., obtained a decree nisi with costs and £500 damages on November 16 last on the ground of adultery between his wife and Sir Guy Scbright.

The case was not defended, but later the King's Proctor intervened, with the result that the decree was rescinded. The question of the payment out to Sir Guy of the damages and the King's Proctor's costs arose.

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MISTAKEN ZEAL OF AN OFFICER.**YACHT INQUIRY DECISIONS.****AN HOUR LOST.**

The coastguard system was not efficient in that it did not provide for a proper manning of all the stations in which a look-out was necessary in the weather conditions prevailing.

This was one of the findings of the Court of Inquiry, appointed on the application of the Board of Trade, as the result of the loss on the Cornish coast of the yacht Ilander, in which Commodore H. D. King, M.P., and five companions were drowned. At the inquest, the jury, in a rider, said there was laxity in coast watching.

The possibility of a further inquiry was mentioned when the findings of the court were announced.

The Commissioner (Mr. E. A. Digby, K.C.) announced the findings of the court which are here summarised:

Had the Lantivet hut been manned the alarm would have reached the coastguards shortly after 8.30, nearly an hour would have been saved, and the chances of success would have been greatly increased.

Three of the weather reports sent from stations to Looe

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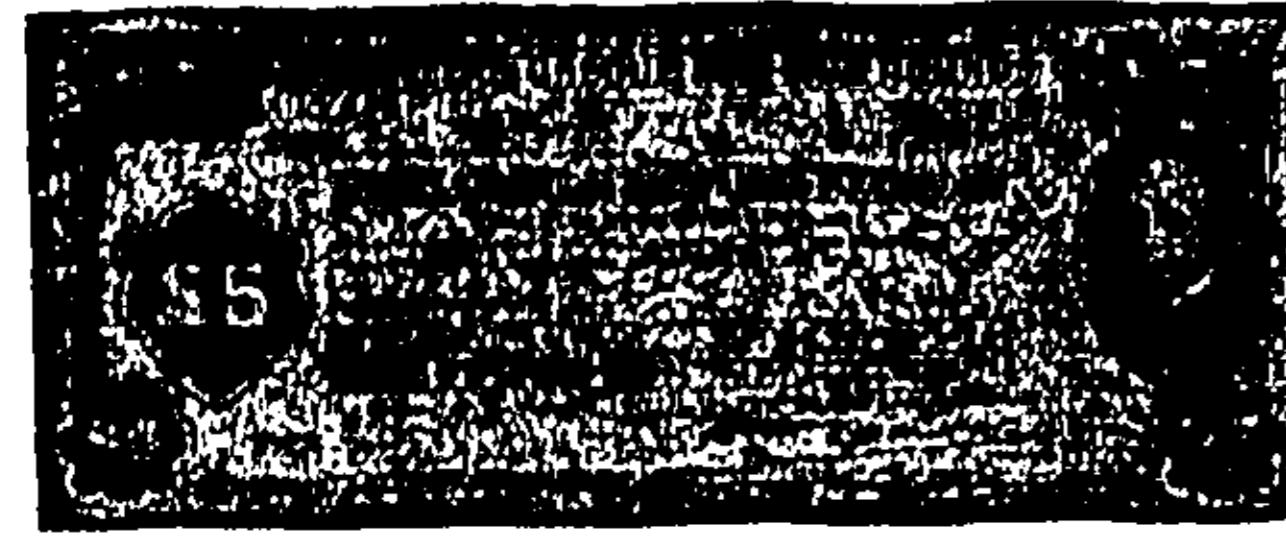
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ANOTHER CRACK CONTEST.

SIGN. MORRIS TO FIGHT BEGGIE.

[By "Wanderer"]

Another bout of considerable interest has been arranged for Saturday's boxing tournament at which Stoker Percy Lake is meeting A. B. Dobson for the Colony's lightweight championship.

Signalman Morris, former holder of Colony's welter and middle-weight titles, has been matched with A. B. Begbie, of H.M.S. Berwick, who has a splendid record, including drawn contests with Jock Crichton and Jim Cartlidge. Incidentally he won the championship of the China Squadron this year. Signalman Morris has just returned to the championship in his class at the Royal Navy and Royal Marines Tournament.

The Begbie-Morris contest will be over ten rounds, and it should provide a contest equal in merit to the title bout.

The contestants have finished training and all report fighting fit. Stoker Lake has been made favourite for the title, but Dobson expresses the utmost confidence.

"I shall fight him off his feet," he said yesterday.

LADIES' GOLF.**DRAW FOR THE TAGGART CUP CONTEST.**

In the Captain's Cup competition for the ladies' section of the Golf Club, Mrs. Parker qualified 97-19-78.

The draw for the Taggart Cup is as follows:

Byes.—Mrs. Piercy, Mrs. Whyte-Smith, Mrs. Cameron, Miss Stevenson, Miss Mackie, Mrs. Rodgers, Mrs. Gilmore v. Mrs. Tate, Mrs. Penrice v. Mrs. Dodwell, Mrs. Newbigging v. Mrs. Dovey, Mrs. Cassidy v. Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Langston v. Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Evans v. Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Bonnar v. Mrs. Ireland, Mrs. Worley v. Mrs. Burton, Mrs. Sommersell v. Mrs. Wild, Mrs. Stewart v. Mrs. Ferguson.

1st Round, December 18th; 2nd Round, January 2nd; 3rd Round, January 16th; 4th Round, January 30th; final, February 13th.

ARMY V. NAVY.**CRICKET MATCH FOR SATURDAY.**

The following will represent the Hongkong Garrison in a match against the Royal Navy at King's Park on Saturday commencing at 2 p.m.: Lieut. A. H. Musson, Royal Artillery (Capt.), Cpl. W. T. Davies (R.A.M.C.), Lieut. R. V. Dewar (Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders), 2/Lieut. A. C. Hamilton (South Wales Borderers), Lieut. J. Hazlewood (Royal Artillery), Capt. R. G. Lochner (South Wales Borderers), Lieut. J. K. Macfarlane (H.K.S.R.A.), L/C. R. Robson (Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders), 2/Lieut. A. J. Stocker (South Wales Borderers), Lieut. M. Waring (H.K.S.R.A.), Capt. N. Thorp (Headquarter Staff).

HOLE IN ONE.**ANOTHER NAME ADDED TO THE FANLING LIST.**

Whilst playing at Fanling, on November 28th, in a four-ball foursome, Commander G. P. Bowen, of H.M.S. Kent, holed "The Gem" (the 12th hole on the Old Course) in one stroke.

EMPIRE SOCIETY ON INDIA.**MORE DEPUTY-GOVERNORS ADVOCATED.****Egyptian Model.**

A dozen of the most eminent British administrators in India during the past few years have reported to the Royal Empire Society on the practicability of the Simon Commission's proposals from the point of view of the man who will be most likely to see fair play and keep the peace when the change comes.

The former Governor of Assam, Sir John Kerr, was the chairman of the committee, and among his colleagues were General Sir George Barrow, who advised on the military aspects of the problem, such Civil Servants as Sir Henry Lawrence, the solidity and soundness of whose administrative work in the Bombay Presidency were everywhere admitted, and leading commercial men such as Sir Charles Macleod.

Elected Spokesmen.

The Kerr Committee think the Provincial and Indian Parliaments proposed by the Simon Commission would be too large and the electorate not large enough. The decision is surprising because the Simon Commission proposed to extend the present electorate from 6,000,000 to 20,000,000 while suggesting in their first volume that the administrative machinery had been strained by the task of dealing with existing voters.

Fearing oligarchy and town rule, the Kerr Committee advocate enfranchising 100,000,000 illiterates, to be divided into groups of 29, each group electing orally in their villages one muhali or muathpiece. The 5,000,000 voting spokesmen would form the electoral colleges for the illiterate electors, and their candidates for Parliament would be confined to elected muhalis. Electoral registrars would superintend in groups of districts, and the literate electors would continue to vote directly by ballot as now.

The Committee say: "We have put this question of the franchise in the forefront because we believe it to be fundamental. In our judgment, there can be no successful advance in responsible government unless it can be arranged for all interests in the country to be represented in reasonable and vigilant electorates, capable of exercising a real freedom of choice upon discrimination between policies rather than a preference for individuals."

The Women's Vote.

On the subject of women's franchise in India the Kerr Committee say: "The Commission propose, if we have understood them aright, to increase the number of women voters from 268,000 to 6,500,000 straight away, and to some 15,000,000 within the next fifteen years. The number of literate females in the country is estimated at only a little over 2,000,000, and though there are hopeful signs that the number of educated women in the middle and upper classes is likely to increase more rapidly in future than it has done in the past, we can see no object, as matters stand, in enfranchising several million women, who have received no literary education of any kind, and who cannot be expected to have the slightest grasp of the political problems with which the country is likely to be faced during the next generation.

They would either not use their votes at all or would use them at the bidding of the men to whose influence they are subject. There is no doubt that educated women are capable of playing a useful part in the legislatures, both provincial and central, but for the present there is little chance of their being elected to the Councils, even if women were enfranchised to the ex-

tent proposed by the Commission. They must rely on nomination, and we agree with the Commission that the provincial Governors should use their powers of nomination to ensure the adequate representation of women in the Councils, so far as practicable."

The Committee favour second Chambers in all provinces, and desire the relief of the over-worked and often inexperienced Governors just arrived from Home by the appointment of Deputy-Governors.

Discipline of the Police.

On the vital question of the administration of the police by Indian Ministers the Kerr Committee say:

"We observe that the transfer of the police to the administration of Ministers responsible to the legislature is opposed not only by officials but also by large bodies of non-official Indian opinion. The Indian Central Committee recommended that it should continue to be a reserved subject in Bengal. Since the Commission left India, the importance of maintaining the morale of the police force has been made manifest for all the world to see. If in the face of the present troubles the loyalty and discipline of the police force are undermined, the consequences must be of the gravest kind."

"We admit all that the Commission urge regarding the strong objections to reserving the police. If all other provincial subjects are transferred to Ministers, out the welfare of the country is more important than any political device, and in our view the first essential is that the police should be assured of firm support and fair treatment by the Executive Government so long as they continue to do their duty."

"Riots and disorders" and "dissenter" are proposed if the Simon scheme, unrevised, is adopted, and all members of the Committee desire a revision of the composition of the Central Assembly as advocated by the Simon Commission. Alternative methods of election and nomination are suggested.

Future of the Army.

On the problem of the Army, the Kerr Committee hold that, "even if it were possible within some measurable period to dispense with the presence in India of British units, and to officer the Indian units entirely with Indians, it is not easy to visualise an Army, of which 70 per cent. is recruited from the Punjab and the adjacent districts of the United Provinces, being placed under the control of a Federal Assembly containing an overwhelming majority of representatives of the non-martial provinces."

"Any disagreement between the Army and such an Assembly could have only one end. Moreover, it would be impossible, in view of the treaty obligations with the Indian States, for the British Government to relinquish control of the Army, or for the upkeep of which many of the States have ceded large tracts of territory. In view of these considerations, the retention of British control over the Army must for the present be regarded as essential, whatever its implications on the constitutional position may be."

"Meanwhile" they proceed, "we agree that it is necessary to push on vigorously any scheme of Indianisation which offers a reasonable prospect of success. We suggest that, as Indianisation proceeds, it may be found advisable at some period to introduce an organisation similar to the former Egyptian Army, whereby officers of the British service would be seconded for definite periods to serve with the Indian Army and to hold the higher regimental appointments, until Indians have obtained the requisite amount of training and experience. The ultimate aim would, of course, be to dispense with the services of the British officers entirely, except possibly in an advisory capacity, as in the case of the Imperial Service troops."

ORDERED TO TELL JUDGE AND A DOCTOR.

Mr. Justice Macnaghten, in the King's Bench Division, ordered a doctor from the obstetric ward of University College Hospital, Gower-street, W., who had been subpoenaed, to give evidence.

The doctor said he regarded anything that had happened in regard to his patient as privileged, and asked for the protection of the court.

Mr. Justice Macnaghten: There is no such privilege known to the law, and you are bound to assist the jury by answering any relevant question.

Mr. Beresford (counsel in the case): It is more the view of the hospital authorities than of this doctor.

Mr. Justice Macnaghten: I am astonished that the hospital authorities should be so ignorant of their duty.

Mr. Beresford: He desired the point should be put before you.

Mr. Justice Macnaghten: Let there be no misunderstanding. There are certain communications which the law does not regard as privileged.

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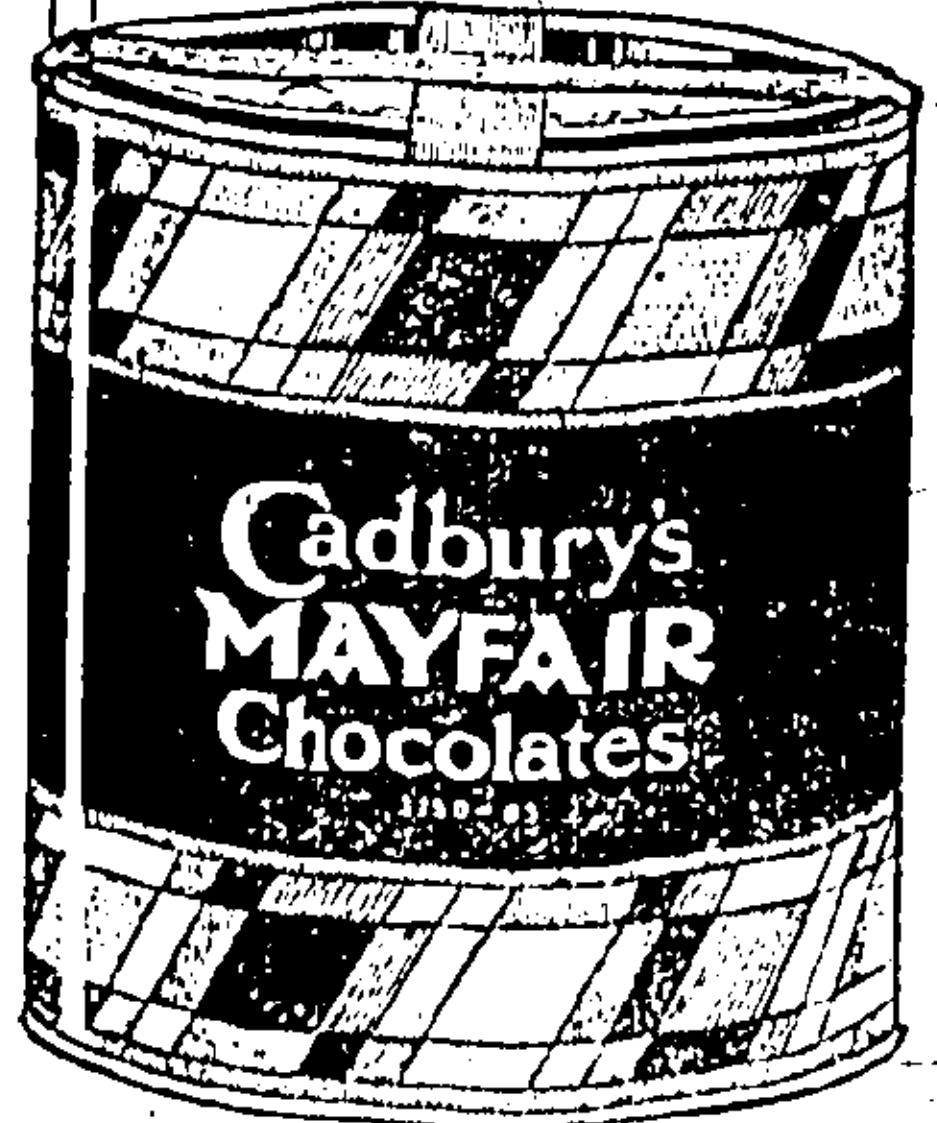
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RUGBY FOOTBALL.

YESTERDAY'S GAME ON THE CLUB GROUND.

Yesterday's rugby game on the Club ground was by no means an easy win for the home team. Indeed, the fifteen turned out by H.M.S. Medway had very hard lines in not scoring on at least two occasions, and the Navy forwards had most of the play. There was a period towards the end of the first half when the Club were penned within eight yards of their line for ten minutes, but the Medway could not quite get over, though a score seemed certain from one of the scrums or lines-out that occurred. In the second half, the Club never penetrated the Medway half until almost a quarter of an hour had gone, and it was only marvellous, almost miraculous, saving that kept the Medway out of the Club line. The teams lined up as follows:

Club.—B. P. Manser; J. W. Johnson, D. F. Kirby, G. Allera, W. Harrington, W. King, I. H. M. Macredy; E. H. Gammell, H. Mitford, H. D. Clippendale, R. Watson, W. F. Kerr, A. D. Coppin, B. L. Stock, W. R. Andrews.

Medway.—Lt. Fawkes; L. L. Van Der Byl, Lt. Woods, Lt. Cdr. Ruck-Keeene; E. R. A. Northwood, A. B. Thomson; Lt. Taylor, Sub-Lt. Currie, E. R. A. Wilkinson, L. S. Welham, A. B. Roomees, A. B. Holywood, Sig. Knight, P. O. Spring.

The first ten minutes or so were devoted to loose forward rushes, with very little air given to the ball, and the Club were for the most part in the Medway half. Then Van Der Byl got in a run to near the Club line, using his weight, which is considerable, very well. Scrums and lines-outs near the Club line ended in the latter being given a generous kick that relieved the situation.

The Club had to touch down once through a miskick by Macredy, who otherwise played a good game, getting along to bring down his opposite-number quite well, and often taking the ball down the field. The Medway still continued their thrusts against the Club, but, from a fumbled pass, Johnson picked up in his own twenty-five and ran three-quarters of the field to score near the posts. He was unfortunate, and out of wind, with the place-kick.

The Medway commenced the second half very strongly, and had the Club penned in their own half for a long time. Two penalty-kicks to the Medway were not quite on the mark, and a lot of good saving had to be resorted to. Kerr, Coppin and Mitford were amongst the best of the Club forwards, and, when play was taken into the Medway territory, Gammell was always following up hard and fast. He scored the Club's first try after running strongly, having his pants taken off him, and still bursting on to touch down.

Johnson put on the extra points to make the final score eight points to nil, but the Medway deserved at least a try and a penalty goal.

The Club pack were not at their best in heading, and the second and third rows of the scrum in the tight were slow, so that Macredy had to pick up a stationary ball at a disadvantage. In the loose, the Club were always working hard, but, if the Medway had had a line of three,

LOCAL HOCKEY.

FORMER PUPILS' HANDSOME WIN OVER Y.M.C.A.

Revealing itself to be a much better team in all departments, the K.B.S. F.P.A. easily accounted for the Y.M.C.A. second eleven at King's Park yesterday, winning by four clear goals.

All the points were obtained in the initial half of the game, and served to show the "Former Pupils" forward line to be live with opportunities. Francis gave an especially impressive display, and received splendid support from his front line colleagues. It was in this department that the "Y.M." were lacking, the forwards failing to thrust home their advantages. J. Smith played a lone hour and was decidedly unlucky in not being credited with a goal, the point being disallowed on account of "sticks."

The outstanding performers in the losing team were Tippie and Dormer, the visiting backs, the two working hard to overcome a clever forward line, which was ably supported by the intermediates.

The game was fast throughout, both teams revealing possession of some very useful material.

Y.M.C.A. v. Argylls.

The Y.M.C.A. team to meet the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders this afternoon at King's Park, bully of at 5 p.m., is as follows.—F. Cope; G. P. Ross and H. Mundy; A. R. Brown, G. Mitchell and F. S. W. Smith; A. Tate, F. Parker, G. Kearns, J. Smith and T. J. Price.

Club First Team for To-day.

The following will represent the Club 1st XI. The Army to-day at 5 p.m. U.S.R.C. Ground:

Grocery, J. E. Henry, W. Woodward, A. Dind, M. W. Turner, J. Noronha, H. Owen, Hughes, C. Francis, C. R. More, L. G. Frost, T. J. Price.

Club Team to Play the Argylls.

The following have been selected to represent the H.K. Hockey Club "A" XI v. the Argylls on Saturday at 5 p.m. sharp: W. Barronman, T. R. Rowell, A. N. Other, B. L. Stock, H. O. Davies, Capt. Burke, R. W. Sapsed, L. H. Smith, Major H. A. F. Kerrick, R. G. Edwards-Jones, S. J. R. Fox.

Match on Saturday.

The following have been selected to represent the Y.M.C.A. second eleven against a team from H.M.S. Bruce at King's Park on Saturday at 4 p.m.: H. P. Keyserling, J. M. Purvis, L. Tippie, R. A. Boys, G. Mitchell, R. Dormer, H. Muller, L. Macay, W. H. Smith, F. Parker, L. Coombes.

quarters who possessed combination, they would have been in more than once.

To-day's Game.

At Sookunpoo this afternoon, a team from the Small Ships is due to meet a team from the South Wales Borderers, the match commencing at 4 p.m.

This game will give something of an indication of the game which the Borderers will play on Saturday, when they meet the Club "A" on the Club ground at the same hour.

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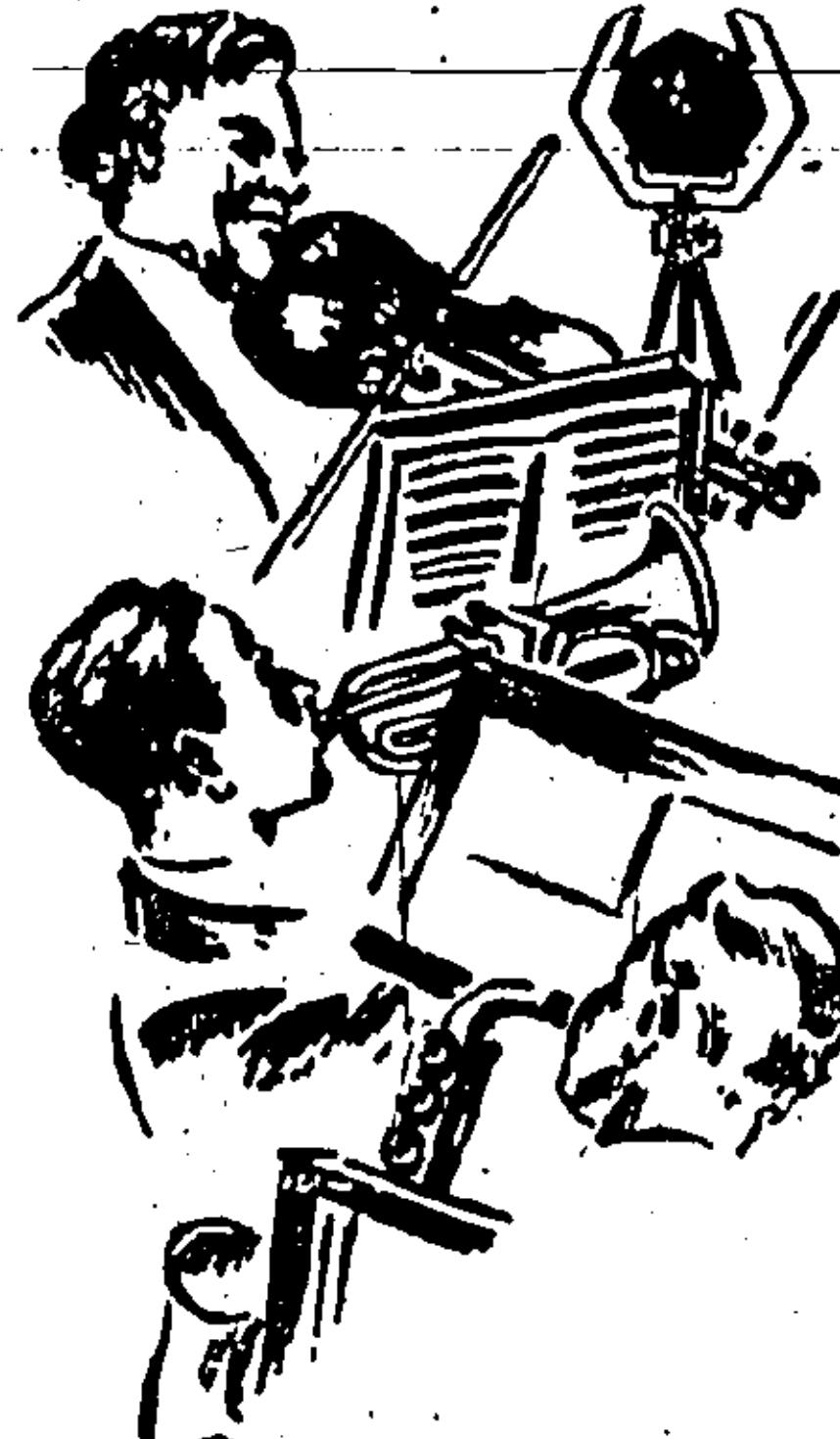
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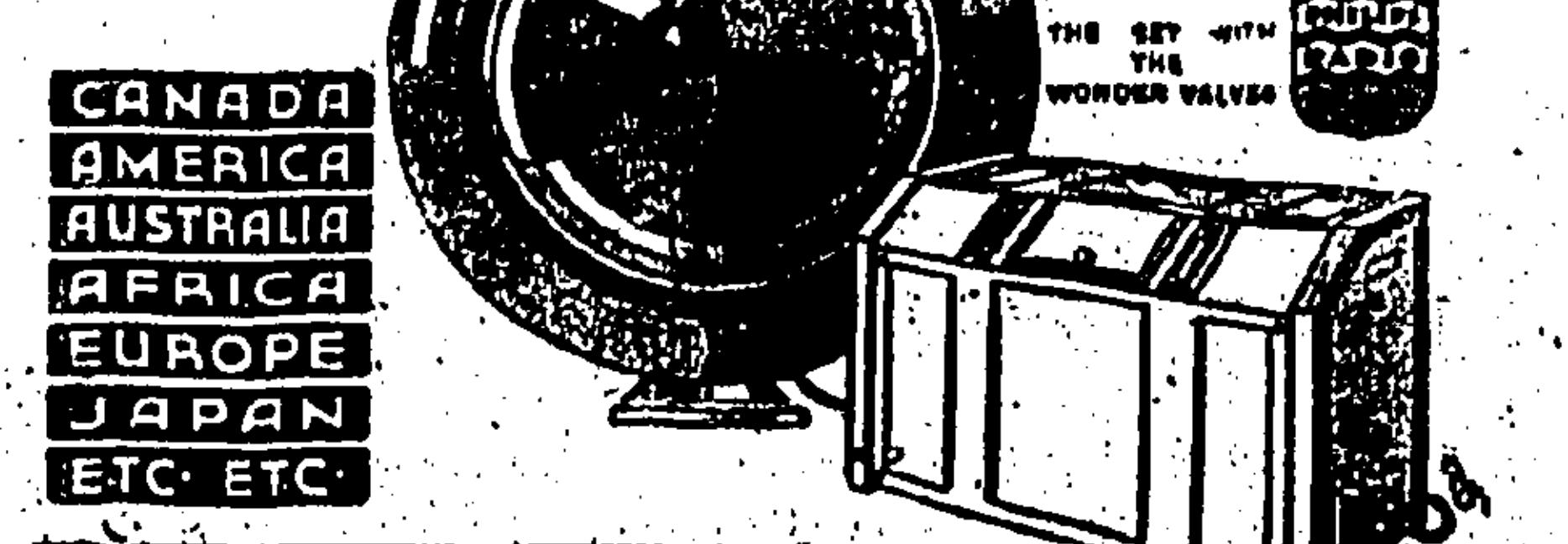
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RABBITS BILL.

PROTECTION FOR THE FARMERS' CROPS.

In the House of Commons recently, Mr. Hanbury (C. Dorset, N.) in moving the second reading of the Rabbits Bill, said that under the measure if an owner or occupier of land could convince a County Council that excessive damage was being done to his crops, trees, fences, or pastures by reason of the neglect of a neighbouring occupier of land to keep down the rabbit, the County Council could require that, in fourteen days, the occupier causing the nuisance should abate or prevent the damage.

If he did not comply the County Council had the right to send people to reduce the nuisance, and the offending occupier would be called on to pay the expenses. The County Council also could send an inspector at the request of the complainant, who would be charged a fee of £2, but he could recover this fee if his claim was upheld.

There was right of appeal by the occupier to the County Council, which in that case could take no further action until they had heard both sides. The power contained in the Bill would work out eventually for the reduction and keeping in control of this verminous pest, the rabbit. (Laughter).

Owing to the all too haphazard methods in the past of treating the rabbit, it had become in many parts of the country a dangerous nuisance to growing crops and to forestry. Yet if properly restricted to otherwise unproductive ground, he could see great developments possible in making the rabbit useful crop for food, fur, and other economic purposes.

Every restaurant keeper knew the value of rabbit in the construction of chicken cream. (Laughter). What would the great fur industry be without coney and "lapinaki," so valuable in the sable, dyed ermine, and mink markets of the world? (Laughter).

He asked the House to endorse the words of an East Anglian person, who was frequently asked to a great house in the neighbourhood and was reported on one occasion, when requested to say grace, to have replied:

Of rabbits young and rabbits old,
Of rabbits hot and rabbits cold,

Of rabbits tender and rabbits tough,

We thank the Lord we've had enough. (Laughter).

National Farmers' Union.

Lieutenant-Colonel Acland-Troyte (C. Tiverton), in seconding, said that the National Farmers' Union were keen on the Bill, and the County Council Association approved of it.

Mr. Lambert (L. South Molton), supporting the Bill, considered the rabbit a very good thing in a pie, but a pest on the lands.

Mr. Guinness (C. Bury St. Edmunds) did not think it would be necessary often to put the compulsory powers of the Bill into operation, though there were certain obstinate people who were quite indifferent to the complaints of their neighbours under present conditions.

Dr. Addison (Minister of Agriculture) welcomed the Bill, which he said had become a hardy annual. The National Farmers' Union were in favour of it. He had got into trouble with the Union owing to some recent remarks, and he suggested as subject for the cartoonists Captain Morrison (Chairman of the Union) and himself shaking hands over the body of a rabbit. (Laughter).

Lieutenant-Colonel Clifton Brown (C. Hexham) moved the rejection of the Bill, which he said was perfectly useless. "You cannot kill rabbits by Act of Parliament," he declared amid laughter.

Commander Southby (C. Epsom) seconded.

Mr. Ede (Soc. South Shields) deprecated members bestowing abusive epithets on "the prettiest quadruped of the country-side." (Laughter). The game laws were the real trouble. If the local authorities would only wink at poaching friends of his, it would abate the nuisance far more rapidly than the County Council could. (Laughter).

The Shipley Result.

While Sir J. Lamb (C. St. Omer) was supporting the Bill Viscount Womer brought in to the chamber the news of the Conservative victory in the Shipley division, and there was a delighted cheer from the Opposition benches.

Sir George Bowyer handed a slip of paper to Mr. Guinness, and the Chief Conservative Whip all smiles, joined the little group on the front bench in an examination of their figures.

Sir W. Wayland (C. Canterbury) said that the rabbit had two sides (laughter)—a useful side as well as a destructive side. It not only provided a large amount of food, but its skin was a great asset. The price of rabbit skins had risen from 1d. each before the War to anything from 8d. to 7d. Rabbits did a lot of damage, but on his

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CHAPTER XXXV.

The colour rose high in Celia's cheeks as she waited for the answer. The grey-haired maid looked embarrassed. "Oh, no, Miss Celia, I couldn't say anything about that—" "But you must have known!" the girl persisted. "You're not like the other servants, Martha. You're almost a companion to grandmother. Why, you're with her half of the time. Maybe I ought not to ask you, but don't you see how I feel? I can't talk to father and nobody else will tell me anything. Oh, I wish—" here Celia turned her head and her voice sounded as though tears were near—"I wish it had never happened!"

For an instant the maid hesitated. Then she came over to the girl and patted her shoulder.

"Poor lamb!" Martha said sympathetically. "Poor lamb!" Celia hid her face against Martha's ample skirt. Her shoulders moved, but there was no sound of sobbing. After a moment she sat up and wiped her eyes.

"Did you ever see my mother?" she asked.

Martha nodded.

"It was right after they were married," she said. "I remember. You see, nobody knew anything about the wedding until a telegram came. Oh, but your grandmother was upset! For one whole day she stayed in her room. Then when she came out she told us that John was married and was bringing home his wife. There was a lot of work to be done. It was a week later they came. Pretty thing she was! You've got the same eyes, Miss Celia. I noticed that the minute I caught sight of you. Yes, she was a pretty thing. Slim like you are, too."

"Mother's eyes are larger than mine," Celia told her. "They're beautiful. Only of course she looks tired so much now, and her hair's grey."

"Grey?" The way I remember her hair waved just the same as yours does. Maybe a little darker brown. She wore it in a knot up on her head. She was a quiet kind, but I took to her right away. Only she and John didn't stay very long. I guess it was some kind of disagreement between John and his mother. They left one morning and never came back. That is, she didn't."

The girl had been listening carefully. She slipped the buttermilk. "Did my father come back alone?" she asked.

"Not for long while. Five or six years it must have been. That was the first I heard that his wife—I mean—that they were separated."

"And you never heard the reason why?"

Martha's lips pressed together firmly. She shook her head negatively. "Eat your cookies, child," the woman said. "I must be getting along with my work."

As the door closed behind her Martha Riley raised her eyes heavenward. She made the sign of the cross over her breast.

"God forgive me," she whispered devoutly. "The poor child!" Shaking her head pessimistically, Martha moved toward the kitchen.

Celia ate two of the ginger snaps. They were the old-fashioned kind and after her hasty breakfast she was hungry. Then she finished the buttermilk. She was trying to picture her mother as she must have looked when she came to the Grammerye Park house a bride. Probably she had been in this very room.

The girl looked about her. Why had her mother never spoken of the visit? At once she knew the answer. Something very unpleasant must have happened there.

Celia got up and moved restlessly. There was a great deal of time. It was only a little after 11. Evelyn was not likely to telephone until 12.

Somewhere in the bookcases which lined the walls there was a volume by Leonard Merrick which had interested the girl. She began to hunt for it. It would be a good book to take along to Larchwood. Evelyn Parsons' library contained plenty of books, but Celia had never seen them—they were not nearly so interesting as the ones to be found here.

She located "Conrad in Quest of His Youth" and began to read. The buzz of the telephone startled her. "Hello!" Celia answered. She recognized Evelyn Parsons' voice.

"Celia—is that you, dear? Oh, I'm so sorry. I've been having the most awful luck. Do you know what time it is?"

The girl looked at her watch. "Almost 12:30," she said.

"So late? That's what, I was afraid of. My dear, I won't be able to have lunch with you. Do you suppose the cook can fix you a bite at the house? I'm terribly sorry, really I am. You see we've got started on these tiresome old papers and Mr. Henderson insists we

must go ahead. It's likely to take an hour."

"But I don't mind waiting," Celia assured her. "I've been reading. I didn't know it was lunch time."

"No, no. I wouldn't impose upon you that way!" Evelyn spoke firmly. "If you think they can give you something to eat where you are, I'll promise to drop around and pick you up at 2:30. We might see a matinee. There's the Barrymore picture at the theatre."

Celia said she was certain she could arrange about lunch. She was pleased at the thought of seeing the motion picture. Film plays were still a treat. It was agreed that Evelyn should stop for her at 2:30.

Putting the receiver on its hook, Celia went to consult with Martha. Evelyn Parsons, at the other end of the connexion, smiled sweetly as she rested the French telephone upon its stand. She was in the expensively furnished waiting room which the firm of Henderson and Henderson provided for its clients. The call to Celia had been the second she had made that morning.

Mrs. Parsons opened her handbag, consulted her reflection in the square mirror critically. She made a few improvements with powder and lipstick, then closed the handbag. After that she rose and stepped out into the corridor. A swiftly descending elevator carried her 20 floors to the ground.

There were a few minutes of delay and then she was in her car driving uptown. A glance at her jewelled wrist watch informed her that there was time enough. After that she sat back and devoted herself to the prospects ahead. There was shrewdness back of the smile lurking about her eyes.

"Safety in Numbers."

Pity a poor young man worth millions in love with five gorgeous girls. That is the pleasant plight of handsome Charles "Buddy" Rogers in his latest picture, "Safety in Numbers," which comes to the Central Theatre today.

In this musical comedy-romance "Buddy" is seen as the heir to \$500,000, who is such a cut-up in his uncle's business office that his uncle decides to send him to New York to be trained in the ways of the wild west by three old friends.

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But Kathryn has plots of her own, and she finally wins "Buddy," incidentally helping him to prove to the "big shots" of Broadway that he is a musical comedy composer and producer to be reckoned with.

(Continued on Next Column.)

John Mitchell's apology was spoken sincerely.

"Don't think of it another moment," Evelyn told him. "I didn't mind waiting in the least."

"Let's go in to lunch at once."

They entered an ivory and blue dining room that was cool and softly shaded. The head waiter, bowing deferentially, led them to a table for two at one side of the room.

When they were seated Mitchell ordered them to sit back and looked at his companion.

Evidently she had sighted an acquaintance. Evelyn was nodding and smiling toward a table at the right, where a man and woman sat. The couple returned the greeting.

"It's Nancy and Boyd Fraser," Evelyn said to Mitchell. "You know them, don't you?"

"Don't believe I do."

"Oh, I forgot. It was in Paris I met them. Don't they look happy together? One of the most devoted couples I've ever met. He's in real estate—Westchester company, I think. You know, I love to see them. Boyd simply adores his wife! That sort of affection seems such a novelty these days."

"You sound cynical."

"Not at all! You see, to me marriage is—well, such a sacred thing. That's why this frightful modern way of treating it lightly hurts me, I suppose. When I see couples who truly love each other and are not ashamed to admit it, I can't help rejoicing."

Evelyn's gaze was sweet and penitent. Her eyes rested on Mitchell a moment, then she smiled.

"Anyone else would think me a Victorian. I hope you don't, John."

"You never looked younger—or lovelier."

Before Evelyn could reply the waiter arrived with chilled fruit. Evidently he arranged the service. When the man disappeared John Mitchell leaned forward.

"Do you remember that young fellow Celia spent so much time

CINEMA NOTES.

TUNEFUL TALKIE
TO QUEEN'S.

When Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer purchased the screen rights to Neil Martin's best-seller, "Lord Bryan of Broadway," some time ago, individuals interested in Hollywood activities wondered which of the company's stars would be given the featured parts which demanded a definite ability for both singing and dancing. Now comes the announcement that the two leading roles will not be filled by any of the recognized M-G-M stars, but that the picture will serve as the introduction to the screen of two Broadway musical-comedy celebrities, namely, Charles Kaley of "Earl Carroll's Vanities" and Ethelind Terry, star of Rio Rita", "Kid Boots" and other success.

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SCHOOL AGE BILL.**OPERATION POSTPONED TILL SEPTEMBER 1932.**

London, Dec. 3.

The House of Commons has passed an amendment postponing the operation of the School Age Bill to September 1932.—Reuters

[The School Age Bill provided for the raising of the school-leaving age from 14 to 16. It was expected to pass the Bill before Christmas. It affects half a million children.]

The Government claimed that it would keep 300,000 children off the labour market for a year and would enable 150,000 adults to obtain jobs. Sir Charles Trevelyan, the Education Minister, described the Bill as "Charter for the average child." Lord Eustace Percy, opposing it, said that the Bill would increase the taxation of the employed class by £8,000,000 per annum. He said the need was that education should develop mental keenness very largely in touch with and in connexion with the machine on which the keenness would have to be exercised.]

THREE DROWNED.**WHEN JUNK SUDDENLY SINKS IN HARBOUR.**

An old man and two small girls were drowned when a junk suddenly sank at the North Anchorage off Stonecutter's Island, shortly after noon yesterday. They were Chan Yau (80), Chau Kwai (5) and Chau Wun (2).

There were 10 people on board at the time but the other seven were picked up by the tug Pearl, a post office launch, and a police launch which rushed to the spot. The three bodies were later recovered by the police.

THE PIRACY PROBLEM.**ITEMS FROM REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT.**

London, Dec. 3.

No piracy occurred or was attempted on steamers outward bound from Hongkong during the year 1929, says the annual report of the Inspector General of Police.

One piracy and attempted piracy were recorded on steamships, the piracy being on the Japanese S.S. "Deli Maru" in September. Three Indian Guards were shot and four passengers were kidnapped. Officers and Guards were unharmed and were not able to put up any resistance. Of the four kidnapped persons two have been released.

The attempted piracy on the S.S. "Aegean" in December, was frustrated by the action of the Officers and Guards on the ship. The pirates set fire to the ship. The 2nd Officer was killed, and the 1st Officer was wounded, one Indian guard was killed and one wounded, nine passengers were known to have been killed by bullet wounds and twenty-three of the crew and passengers were wounded. Two of the pirates were arrested, charged with piracy and murder and sentenced to death. Three others have been banished for life. It is believed that none of the pirates, who numbered about fourteen, escaped; five or six were killed by the defenders and others jumped overboard.

There was a considerable decrease in the number of reports of pirates on junks during the year in waters adjoining the Colony.

Piracy in the Canton River Delta also showed a decrease.

Arms.

There were six arms seizures of note during the year, the largest of which was on 16.8.1929 on board the S.S. "Haiching" where 111 Automatic pistols and over 11,000 rounds of ammunition were found.

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Table II shows the number of pirates (five junks) committed in adjacent waters during the year 1929. Compared with 1928 there is a decrease of 13 in the number of pirates other than Bias Bay pirates.

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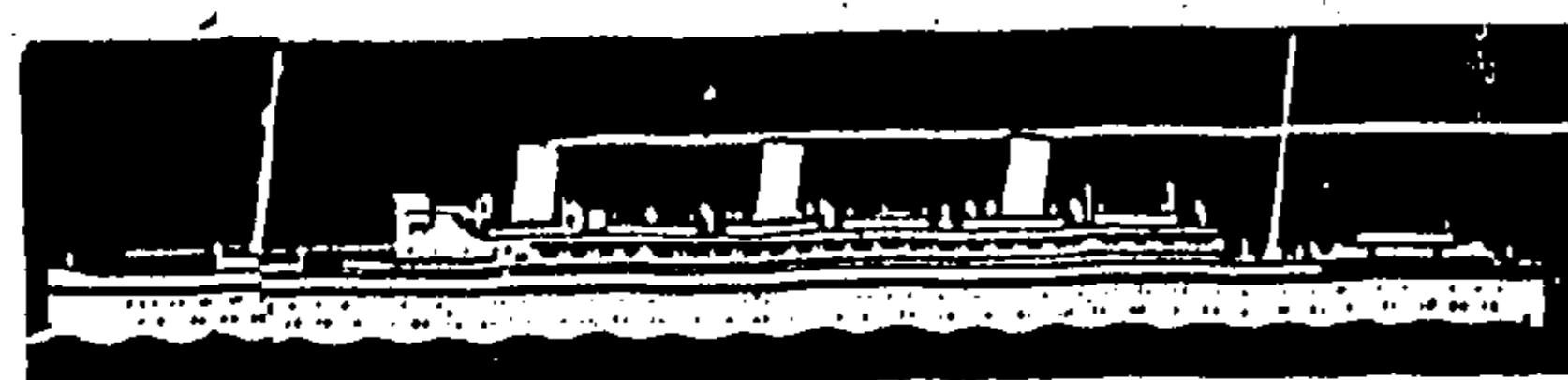
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HONGKONG CRIME.

REPORT OF I.G.P. FOR 1929.

From the annual report of the Inspector General of Police for 1929 the following items are extracted:

The total number of cases reported to the Police during the year 1929 was 21,130 as against 19,610 in 1928, being an increase of 1,980 or 9.3%. The average for the last 5 years is 20,405.

In the division of these cases into serious and minor offences there were 6,348 serious cases in 1929 as against 5,201 in 1928, an increase of 147 or 2.7%. There were 15,792 minor cases in 1929 as against 14,409 minor cases in 1928, an increase of 1,383 or 8.1%.

Communism.

Communists were less active during the year than in 1928. There were no demonstrations but there was one murder which was the work of communists.

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There was an increase of 1 murder and 15 robberies. There was an increase of 7 robberies in the New Territories.

Gambling.

There were 109 successful gambling cases for the year ending December, 1929 as against 165 successful cases in 1928.

There were two cases in which no conviction was obtained.

There were 71 lottery cases, compared with 74 in 1928.

General Review.

The Inspector General comments:

1929 may be classed as a quiet year from a Police standpoint. Despite the water-shortage and dull trade, the year was not marked by any conspicuous crime wave or by industrial unrest. The increase of 147 cases in the figure for serious crime gives no cause for alarm. The population of the Colony certainly did not diminish during the year. Building and other development operations in various parts of the Colony attracted a large body of casual labour.

The suppression of the activities of Communists continued to be an important branch of Police work throughout the year. Communists have failed to obtain any serious hold in Hongkong, but frequent raids by Police reveal that the Communist Party still maintains, or seeks to maintain, cells in Hongkong. Their Agents are forced to conduct their activities with great secrecy, and there is evidence that the personnel of the Party's Representatives in the Colony is frequently changed. It is significant that most of the Party's Agents who have passed through the hands of the Police have been of the young student type, and appear to have been controlled from Shanghai. Their efforts had been directed to cause trouble among the labouring classes of the Colony. On September 29th, Police and District

BRITAIN GRATITUDE FOR FRENCH HELP.

SPONTANEOUS AID WHEN THE RIOT CRASHED.

"London," Dec. 3.—The British Ambassador, Lord Tyrrell, visited Beauvais today to present decorations and gifts awarded to those who, in various ways, assisted on the occasion of the disaster to the RIOI.

The decorations granted by the King and the insignia of which were presented to-day, included Knighthoods of the Order of the British Empire to Monsieur Couche, the Secretary General of the French Air Ministry, and to Monsieur Lehou, the Prefect of the Oise.

The Mayors of Allonne and Beauvais, the Commandant of Sub-Division of Beauvais and the Commandant of Gendarmerie of the British Empire Order.

The Membership of the same

Order was granted to five persons and the Meritorious Service Medal of the British Empire to 157 persons.

The Mayor of Allonne also received a gold watch and chain with the Royal Arms inscribed on it. Two doctors who attended the survivors received silver inkstands inscribed with the Royal Arms. Others also received silver cigarette cases, silver bonbon trays and brooches, while several nuns received rosary boxes, all inscribed as above.

The town of Beauvais was presented with a large silver rose bowl, and the community of Allonne with a large silver inkstand suitably inscribed.

A cheque for £150 was presented to the Beauvais hospital, while the Mother Superior of the nuns at the hospital was given a cheque for £25.

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The Vin D'Honneur has been given by Beauvais Municipality to Lord Tyrrell, who was accompanied by the Military and Air Attachés, and movingly thanked the whole French nation, whose courage and sympathy had comforted the survivors, touched the hearts of the mourners, and shown again that the ties of comradeship uniting the two countries during the war remained intact.—*Reuter and British Wires*.

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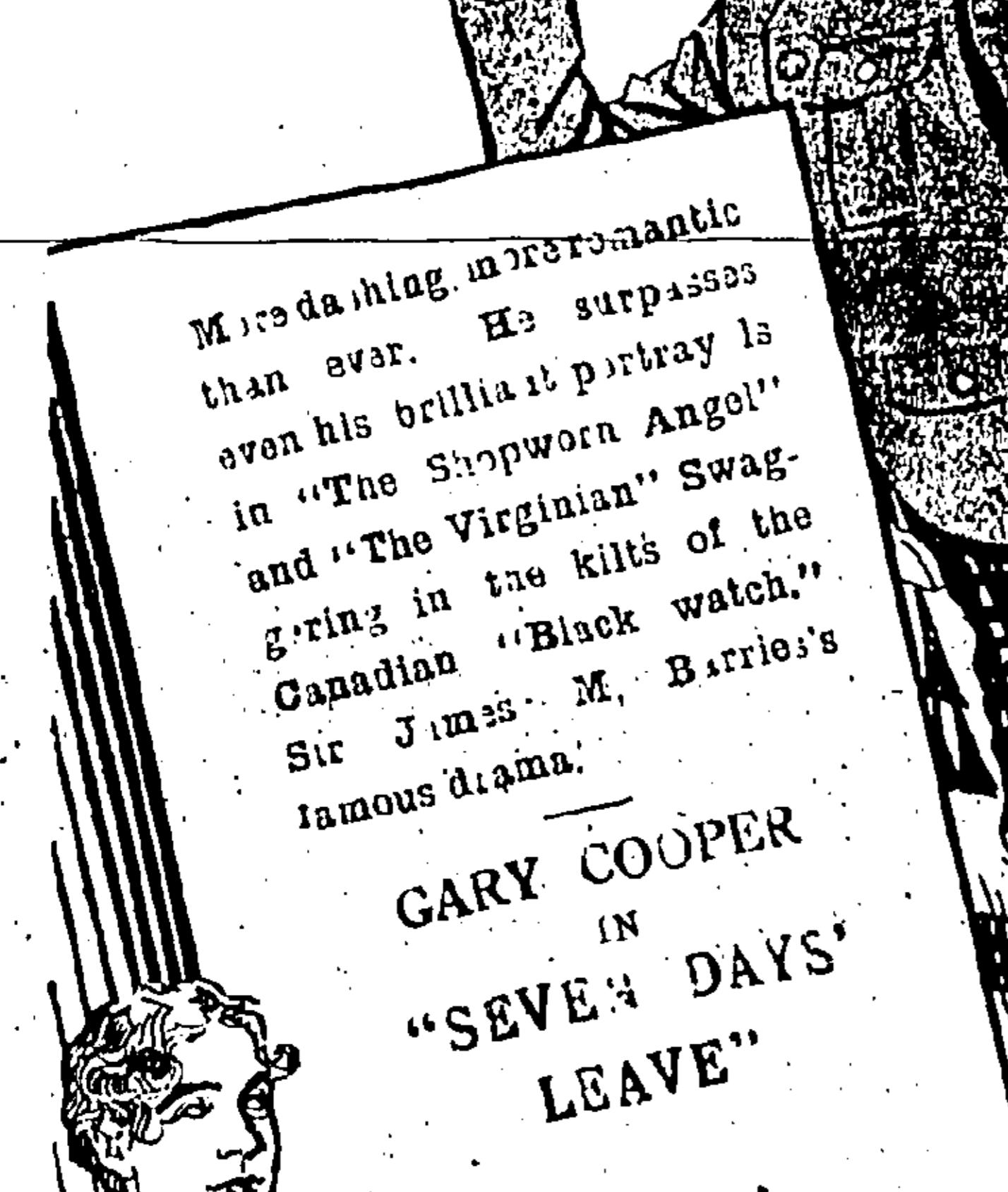
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ALLEGED FORGED RECEIPT.

CONFUCIAN SOCIETY OFFICER
CHARGED.

CASE FOR SESSIONS.

Charges of embezzling \$4,465.24, and of collecting a further \$200 from one Lee Cheung-hing by falsely pretending that he had authorisation, and also giving a receipt for the latter sum, were preferred against Tsui Wan-um, accountant of the Confucian Society, at 220, Hollywood Road, who appeared on remand before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court, to-day.

Regarding a plea of guilty previously returned by the accused, his Worship, on the point of committal of the accused to the Sessions, mentioned that he had not been asked to plead to the second and third charges. His Worship asked whether it was the desire of the prosecution to ask for the man's commitment.

Sergeant Goodwin said he had no instructions from his superior officers on this point.

Mr. E. S. C. Brooks, appearing for the Confucian Society, also said that he had no instructions. He added that a letter had been sent by the accused to the Treasurer, containing a full confession of the misappropriations. As the letter was accompanied by a statement of accounts, he (Mr. Brooks) assumed that it covered the items in question.

After consultation with the police authorities, Mr. Brooks later reappeared in Court with the information that the police were applying for the committal of the accused.

There would be, he said, about 20 witnesses, who would be giving short and formal evidence regarding their having handed various sums to the accused.

The accused was remanded formally for a week.

BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR.

SCHEME TO MAKE IT MORE ATTRACTIVE.

London, Dec. 3. The development of the British Industries Fair to be a truly national manifestation of the quality and range of British products is the aim of the recommendations of a Committee presided over by Lord Chelmsford which is published to-day.

Improved facilities and amenities for exhibitors and buyers, including the provision of a permanent Fair Building easily accessible from London, are advocated. Wider publicity is proposed to secure fuller realisation at home and overseas of the unique opportunity afforded by the Fair both to manufacturers and traders.

The Committee recognises that the Fair has become a very important factor in the expansion of trade. The great interest already taken by buyers from all countries is likely to be much increased when the exhibition is made more fully representative of all sections of industry, and is held in one centre, instead of the present division between London and Birmingham.—*British Wireless*.

PORTRUSH DRAW AT VILLA PARK.

ENGLISH CUP RE-PLAY RESULTS.

London, Dec. 3. At Birmingham to-day, Portmouth shared points with Aston Villa in the First Division match which was postponed from Saturday owing to the unfit state of the ground.

English Cup replays produced no surprises. Fulham made no mistake in their second game with the amateur side, Wimbledon, while Halifax defeated Mansfield away.

The results were:

First Division.
Aston Villa 2 Portmouth 2
F. A. Cup Re-plays.

Gateshead 3 Tranmere 2
Wimbledon 0 Fulham 6
Mansfield 1 Halifax 2

Fulham played Halifax in the next round, and Gateshead are at home to Folkestone.—*Reuter*.

DUTCH INDIES SUGAR COMBINE.

SEVEN CHINESE FACTORIES WITHDRAW.

Amsterdam, Dec. 3. Seven Chinese sugar factories are reported to have withdrawn from the Dutch Indian sugar combine.—*Reuter*.

INDIA'S FEDERAL STRUCTURES.

MAGNITUDE OF TASK MORE APPARENT.

COMMITTEE'S WORK.

London, Dec. 3. Encouraging progress has already been made by the sub-committee of the Round Table Conference which is dealing with questions of the federal structure.

The problem presents so many issues that are more or less correlated that a preliminary clearing of the ground was essential. This has been effected in the course of an extremely business-like discussion during which certain specific questions took shape.

For instance, what are to be the component elements of the Federation and is it to be the States and the Provinces or the States and British India? Will there be two Chambers or one, and will the States' representatives sit in one or both? Again, should there be a Federal Authority dealing with all subjects, or should there, in addition, be an Authority dealing with British India subjects only, and in such case, which would be federal, and which British India subjects? Further questions requiring consideration relate to the powers of the Executive and the Legislature, the relations of the one to the other, whether there should be an executive responsible to both Houses, and the fate of the present House and their jurisdiction.

Another subject for consideration is the sovereignty of the provinces. They drew attention to the paramountcy question, to the fact that States' subjects are not British subjects, and to the necessity of co-equal partnership along other related points.

Federal Subjects.

Having drawn up a list of questions to be dealt with broadly on the foregoing lines, the sub-committee began an examination of a provisional list of subjects of common concern as between British India and the Indian States on which detailed consideration can begin. These subjects, which can tentatively be regarded as federal subjects, include shipping and navigation, light houses, and buoyage, port quarantine, salt, currency and coinage, banks, commerce including banking and insurance, trading companies and other associations, control of the cultivation and manufacture of opium, and its sale and export, control of petrol and explosives, geological survey, inventions and designs, copyright, emigration from and immigration into India, inter-provincial migration, traffic in arms and ammunition, Indian survey, meteorology, census and statistics, federal services, immovable property of the federal Government and the public service commission. British Wireless.

REDS REPORTED AT LIUCHOW.

INHABITANTS IN STATE OF ALARM.

Wuchow, Dec. 1. It is reported by a vernacular newspaper here that the "Red" leader, General Li Ming-shiu, is attacking Liuchow, taking advantage of the fact that, due to the Nanning siege and the attack of the Kwangsi army on Yenan, the city is at present very meagerly defended. The report states that the inhabitants are in a state of great alarm.

So far, the report has not been confirmed, although news has been received by letter that the "Reds" were recently near Kingyuen, a large city two days' journey from Liuchow.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

SCHNEIDER TROPHY REGULATIONS.

R.A.F. OFFICER QUESTION NOT DECIDED.

London, Dec. 3. In the House of Commons at question-time, Mr. F. Montague, Under-secretary for Air, confirmed the report that the British, French and Italian Aero Clubs had reached an agreement regarding the regulations for the Schneider Trophy Race in 1931.

He added that it had not yet been decided whether Air Force officers would be permitted to participate.

The deposit on each machine entered has been fixed at £1,000, the amount on which the British Aero Club throughout had insisted.—*Reuter*.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Constantine Nicola Goldin, No. 82, Hankow Road, to Miss Anastasia Demien Falaykoff, No. 3, Carter Road, Shanghai.

A YEAR'S TRAFFIC FIGURES.

NEARLY THOUSAND ACCIDENT REPORTED

DEATHS OVER THIRTY.

In the annual report of the Inspector General of Police for last year it is stated that there were 7,567 prosecutions for infringement of traffic regulations, the number of convictions being 6,527. The previous year's figures were 6,711 and 6,321 respectively. During the year, 948 accidents were reported, as against 888 in 1928, those ending fatally being 36, compared with 39, in the previous year.

The total number of public motor vehicles examined and found unfit for public service was 704, against 358 in 1928. One hundred and fifty motor drivers' licences were suspended, against 69 in the previous year, whilst 10 motor drivers' licences were cancelled, compared with four in 1928.

Licences issued during the year included the following:

Public rickshas	1,630
Private rickshas	831
Motor Cars (Livery)	457
Motor Cars (Private)	1,462
Motor Cycle Licences	631
Motor Cycle Drivers	404

DRAMATIC RESCUE ATTEMPT.

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The coral just touches the surface of the water at low tide and if the *Hedwig* is still held there, those on board will probably endeavour to reach the *Suffolk*'s boats by manufacturing rafts and allowing the waves to drive them into the shallow water.

Last messages from the cruiser said that she was standing by the *Hedwig*, which appeared to be no immediate danger.

Stormcloud Officer's Story.

Much doubt as to the identity of the ship aground has been cleared up by the story of one of the officers of the destroyer, H.M.S. *Stormcloud*, which returned to Hongkong this morning. He stated that the ship is flying a Dutch flag, which indicates that it is the *Hedwig*, which Mr. M. J. Quist, Consul-General for the Netherlands, mentioned yesterday.

When the *Stormcloud* was some distance away, the *Hedwig* was hard and fast in the coral on an even keel and those on board appeared to be fairly comfortable.

Terrible Weather.

"She is a three-masted wooden craft, and appears to have an auxiliary engine," the officer declared. "From the *Stormcloud* I could see people walking round the upper deck. I counted five of them but the visibility was too poor to determine if they were Europeans."

"Weather conditions out there were terrible. The skies were laden with heavy rain showers, and the seas were the highest I have seen round the China Coast. A north-east monsoon was raging and huge breakers were rolling in and crashing over the small craft. The storm has since abated a little, I understand."

FULL INCOME TAX FOR AMERICA.

(Continued from Page 1.)

the decline in the world's consumption of American cotton, while the rest of the drop (a million bales) was in Europe, and half of that in Britain.

As compared with the previous year, cotton exports to Germany had fallen 6 per cent., to Britain, 32 per cent. and to Japan, 21 per cent.

All-Round Decline.

The exports of agricultural commodities for the year ended June 30, 1930, was the lowest since 1915. The decline was general, excluding forest products. Agricultural exports amounted to \$1,495,000,000 as compared with \$1,847,000,000 in the previous year. The reduction was mainly due to smaller cotton movements at a lower average price, though the decline in exports was general.

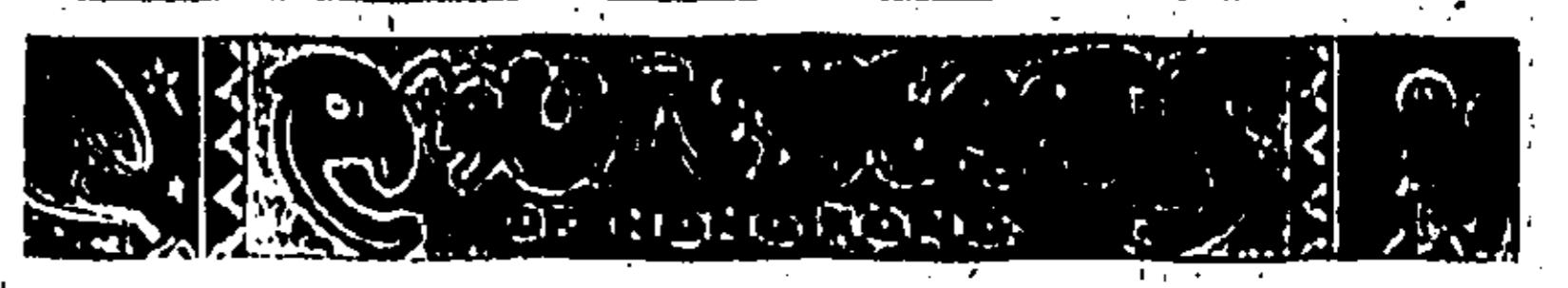
ANTI-FASCIST PLOTS IN ITALY.

SECRET ORGANISATIONS DISCOVERED.

Rome, Dec. 3. It is announced that the police have discovered a secret organisation which has been preparing to commit crimes against the Fascist Government. Twenty-four arrests have been made, including two women.

Communist plots have been discovered in the districts of Foggia and Romagna, and a number of arrests have been made.

A secret anti-Fascist propaganda organisation has been discovered in Rome. Three of the leaders have been arrested.—*Reuter*.



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